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PRICE THREE CENTS

ST. ANNE'S CHURCH

Two Families—The "Work" And The "Dodge"

PRAYER FOR THE MISSIONS

February 27th, Sexagesima Sunday. Divine service—10:30 Morning prayer and sermon. 11:45 Sunday School session. 7:30 Evening prayer and Address. Wednesday evening, 7:30.

Meetings:—The Parish Guild on Thursday afternoon, at two o'clock. The Junior Auxiliary on Friday afternoon at four o'clock, in the Parish House.

WORKERS OR DODGERS

We call the following from a parish paper which we published in our former parish in 1905, which we think is more truth than fiction. A Parish may be divided into two families, the "work" and the "Dodge" families. Those belonging to the "Work" family are always ready to take hold, if they can do any good; the other belongs to the "Dodge" family, and are always ready to show why they "Must needs be excused." Workers or Dodgers, which are we?

The habit of regular church going is the one sole way to keep up individual interest in the Parish. The Church can mean but little to your life if you are seldom within its walls. Church going should be as much a regular part of life as meals or school or daily work. The Rector gladly gives his visits, and is at all times ready to give the Church's ministrations. But that is only one side of the matter. The parishioner owes something on his side, he should be in his place at public worship. Think carefully of the following fact: Complaints that the Church is neglectful invariably comes from those who are neglectful of their own duties to the Church. Ask yourself the question, "What would our church be if everyone was just like me?"

MID-DAY PRAYER FOR MISSIONS

Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession. Psalm 118.

At mid-day the Saviour of the world hung upon the Cross, lifted up that He might draw all men unto Him.

At mid-day St. Paul was converted and called to be an Apostle to the Gentiles.

The missionary council, at Chicago, in 1893, and the missionary conference held in London in 1894, adopted the custom of noon-day prayer for missions, and recommended it to all gatherings of Church people, and to the clergy at mission stations at home and abroad. In many parishes the bell is rung at that hour to remind the people of their duty to pray for the coming of Christ's Kingdom. Vide-Prayer Book, page 38, For Missions.

Forest Church Notes

Sunday, February 27th, 1916.

The Special Services will begin on next Sunday, February 27th, and services will be held every evening excepting Saturday evening. The Rev. George G. Doney will preach on next Sunday morning and evening, and also on Monday evening. The Rev. Mr. Doney is a "Revival" preacher of unusual power, and his evangelistic efforts have been crowned with great success, and the church should be crowded at every service to hear this live wire, stirring "man," preach. Men are especially invited. The Rev. E. A. McLaurey, of Odessa, will preach on Wednesday evening, and the Rev. D. A. Reed, of Dover, who made such a favorable impression last year, will preach on Thursday evening. The Pastor will preach on Tuesday and Friday evenings.

The Pastor's class for the instruction of those desiring to unite with the church, will meet in the library room on Saturday at three o'clock.

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered on Sunday morning, March 12th.

Bethesda Church Notes

Feb. 27th. 9:30 A. M. Brotherhood Devotional meeting.

10:30 A. M. Public worship with sermon. Subject, "If we tarry till the morning light some mischief will come upon us." 2 Kings 7:9.

The Sunday School will hold a short session beginning promptly at 1:30 p.m., as the canvasses are to leave the church at 2 o'clock for the purpose of visiting the homes of the parish just as they did last May. All of our people are requested to be at home from 2 to 6 o'clock to receive these messengers who will be out on business for the King. Let all the members of the Sunday School be present promptly at 1:30 o'clock. This arrangement is just for the day to meet an emergency.

7:30 P. M. Public worship with sermon.

Jr. League Saturday at 3 P. M. Let us have a full attendance.

Card of Thanks

Through the columns of the Transcript, we wish to thank all of our neighbors and friends for their kindness to us during the destruction of our home by fire Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bignear
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carpenter.

COCHRAN—GINN WEDDING

A beautiful home wedding was solemnized on Saturday last at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Ginn, the bride being their daughter, Miss Leah Augusta Ginn and the groom, Andrew Woodall Cochran, son of the late Dan M. Cochran, of Middletown. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Warren Burr, of Townsend, and the wedding march played by Miss Nan Dorsey, of Philadelphia. The bride's gown was of white charmeuse, with silver lace trimmings, with the bridal veil looped with orange blossoms. The bridesmaid, Miss Lillian Ginn, twin sister of the bride, wore a beautiful frock of yellow taffeta. The best man was Howard Kane, of Philadelphia. The going away gown was of blue broadcloth touched with orange and a blue silk and straw hat.

Mr. and Mrs. Cochran left Middletown for Washington for a few days wedding trip. They will make their home on a farm just north of Middletown. The guests at the wedding included Mr. and Mrs. George Goldsborough, Mr. and Mrs. George Ginn, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ginn, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Ginn, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Price, Mrs. S. W. Lockwood, Mrs. Unit Horsey, Richard Cochran, Miss Mary Cochran, Miss Eunice Horsey, Miss Camille Ginn, Crawford Ginn, Paul Ginn, Mr. and Mrs. Dan V. Cochran, of Middletown; Miss Mildred Ginn, Miss Genevieve Dix, of Greensboro, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Reynolds, of Townsend; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Woodall, of Dover, Mr. and Mrs. A. Wilson, of Galena, Md.; and Harry A. Burris, of Bear.

A reception was given Mr. and Mrs. Cochran on Thursday evening, upon their return from Washington, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ginn, when about one hundred guests were present.

FOGEL & BURSTAN STORE NEWS

Thousands in the big cities buy all they need at far below the usual cost, by watching the "bargain" ads in the daily papers. They read these ads as carefully as "personals" and "deaths and marriages" are read in country papers.

The readers of country papers have not this habit of watching for "bargain ads," "special sales," etc., in their papers. We have long thought our "bargain ads" were seen by too few and we are going to ask *The Transcript* readers at least to look over the Fogel & Burstans ads in every issue of the paper. They will be well paid for their pains, for they will often see something that will interest and profit them—"special sales," "sample sales," etc., of fine, new goods at bargain prices.

Because of our habit of always buying for cash, manufacturers and wholesalers are constantly writing and telegraphing us chances to get new and stylish goods for big percentages off usual prices, and these exceptional bargains we are offering our patrons and the public in our carefully prepared ads. Read them and you will save money.

Another thing. All lines of goods are advancing, and many merchants in consequence are asking more money for their goods. We have stocked up so fully at the o'd prices, and place advanced orders as well, that we can and do, protect our trade by selling these goods at the former prices, altho we have offers from those who sold to us to buy back these stocks at much advanced figures!

We bought the goods to protect our trade, and do not wish to make even big profits by such resales to dealers.

Schools Closed

At a special meeting of the Board of Education Tuesday night the board decided to keep the school closed for two weeks because of a small outbreak of scarlet fever. There are four cases of scarlet fever among the pupils of the school. The board took this action to avoid as far as possible any further spread of the disease. Every room will be fumigated and afterwards cleaned and scrubbed.

It was also decided to burn every book in two rooms of the school. The four patients were in these rooms when the disease was discovered. The books are valued at about \$200. This action of closing the school for two weeks will necessitate keeping it open two weeks later than usual in June to secure the State appropriation.

Delaware City Honor Roll

The following named pupils of the Delaware City public school have made an average of 90 per cent. or more in studies, deportment and attendance for the month ending February 1916.

Frank Schaffer, Marjorie Pordham, Rodney Schunder, Laura Clark, Margaret Schaffer, Gertrude Corbit, Louise Beck, Anna Johnson, Fred Moore, Jack Reynolds, John Boyer, Eva Sexton, Margaret Walter, Glen Wiley, Reginald Owens, Harriet Bentley, May Fehl, Alice Gardner, Evelyn Morris, Elizabeth Adkins, Margaret Meade, Dorothy Stanley, Fred Fehl, Ida McIntosh.

Beginning March 1st, 1916, we will conduct a strictly CASH BUSINESS.
L. M. SCOTT.

FRIENDS & VISITORS

Personal Items About People You See and Know

THOSE THAT COME AND GO

Mr. Fred Crouch spent Tuesday in Philadelphia.

Mr. H. R. Wilson was a Philadelphia visitor Wednesday.

Mr. Harry Manlove visited friends, at Yorklyn, on Sunday.

Miss Helen McDowell spent this week at her home near town.

Miss Emma Brown is the guest of relatives in Philadelphia.

Miss Maude Deakney visited New Castle friends on Sunday.

Mrs. Rebecca Cann, of Wilmington, is visiting relatives in town.

Miss Ada Scott was a Wilmington visitor one day this week.

Miss Prudence Lewis is the guest of relatives in Plainfield, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Lee have been visiting relatives in Wilmington.

Mrs. L. E. Cullen has returned after visiting relatives in Philadelphia.

Misses Eugenia Beasten and Jean Metten spent Thursday in Dover.

Mr. C. C. Cosden, of Wilmington, visited his mother on Wednesday.

Mrs. H. C. Moore has returned from a visit with Wilmington relatives.

Miss Ada Lockwood has returned home after a visit in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Eugene Clark, of near Warwick, is the guest of Mrs. W. A. Comegys.

Dr. Charles A. Ritchie, of Wilmington, visited friends in town on Sunday.

Miss Catherine Touhey spent Sunday with her mother, at Yorklyn, on Sun'ay.

Mrs. H. P. Horsey, of 'risfield, Md., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. H. Emerson.

Misses Madeline and Emma Pennington were Wilmington visitors on Tuesday.

Miss Frances Simmons was a week-end guest of her parents near Port Penn.

Miss Elsie Jones is visiting her sister, Mrs. Margaret Darlington, in Baltimore.

Rev. Vaughn S. Collins, of Wilmington, spent Tuesday with friends in town.

Master Horace Moore is visiting his aunt, Mrs. Albert Saunders, in Wilmington.

Miss Lillian Montgomery, of New Castle, is the guest of Miss Angas Crawley.

Mrs. George H. Johnson entertained over Sunday, Miss Lillian Rosen, of Wilmington.

Miss Sarah Brynes, of Wilmington, was a recent guest of Miss Vivian DeValinger.

Miss Helen Biggs has been spending several days with friends at Chestertown, Md.

Mrs. Nehemiah Davis has returned home after a visit with Wilmington relatives.

Mr. Harry Green, of Wilmington, spent the week-end with Miss Edith Shallcross.

Mr. Carl M. Jones, of Seaford, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Jones.

Miss Elizabeth Gibbs, of Philadelphia, spent this week with her mother, Mrs. Duval Gibbs.

Miss Mildred Redgrave spent the week-end with Miss Marian Underwood, at North East, Md.

Mrs. W. B. Kates and Miss Mary Baker, were Wilmington visitors several days last week.

Mrs. Edward Reynolds visited her daughter, Mrs. D. P. Barnard, in Wilmington on Tuesday.

Mrs. Norman Hicks, of Wilmington, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Evans, on Tuesday.

Miss Bernice Metten, of Wilmington, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. F. Metten, on Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. Warren S. Combs have Mrs. Combs' mother and aunt from Ellendale, for visitors.

Miss Reba Lippincott spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Lippincott, near Blackbird.

Mr. and Mrs. TenNych, of Plainfield, N. J., have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Lewis this week.

Mrs. Margaret Smith is spending sometime with her daughter, Mrs. Albert Massey, in Wilmington.

Misses Edna Brynes and Marian Daniels and Mr. Ne'son Neff visited Miss Mazie Daniels on Sunday.

Mr. Harry Downey, of Wilmington, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Downey, on Saturday.

Misses Anna and Ella McClosky, of near Iron Hill, visited Mr. and Mrs. John Maloney Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Preston have returned home after several weeks visit with relatives in Havre de Grace, Md.

Mr. Thomas M. Hall, of Philadelphia, spent several days this week with his mother, Mrs. Mary Hall at the Manse.

Mrs. G. C. Allen and daughter, Miss May, of Overbrook, Pa., spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beasten.

Mrs. Charles W. Jones Jr., and children, are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Minner in Wilmington.

Mr. Frank M. Richards, of Philadelphia, spent a few days this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Richards.

Messrs. Osborne Banning and Richard Donohue have accepted positions with the Remington Arms Co., at Eddystone, Pennsylvania.

Mr. Harry Tatman and sister, Miss Madeline Tatman, motored from Wilmington, Wednesday, and were guests of friends here.

Mr. Delbert Gallagher, of Pennsgrove, and Mr. John Gallagher, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ginn.

Miss Elizabeth Lindley and her guest, Miss Hetty Wilkins, of Virginia, spent the week-end with Miss Frances Davis, at her home in Laurel.

Mrs. Oakley Vinyard and daughter, Helen, have gone to their home in Cristobal, Panama, after spending several months with relatives in this vicinity.

Messrs. E. L. Dashiell, Craig Naudain and W. B. Kates attended a meeting of the Diamond State Telephone Co., in Wilmington on Wednesday evening.

Miss Nellie Janvier has returned from a visit with friends at Annapolis, Md. Miss Janvier will attend the wedding of a New Jersey friend in March, when she will act as bridesmaid.

Miss Helen Shallcross is at Ridley Park, Pa., for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Bassett Ferguson, and incidentally to make the acquaintance of her brother nephew, Master Eugene Shallcross Ferguson.

Miss Helen Hall entertained on Sunday, Miss Ada Webber, of Blackbird, and Messrs. Leroy Bisselle and Raymond Devalinger, of Wilmington. She also entertained Miss Katie Webber, of Blackbird on Tuesday.

The engagement of Miss Grace McKenney, of Philadelphia, to Mr. Victor Herbert Jones, of Wilmington, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Jones, of this town, was announced at a shower and card party given by Miss McKenney's sister, Dr. and Mrs. James Gordon Murfin at their home in Philadelphia last Friday evening. There were sixteen guests present, Mrs. E. S. Jones being one of them.

All the New Styles in Early Spring Hats, at L. M. SCOTT'S.

NO SCHOOL FLAG FLOWN

Mr. Scribe I want to know why our School Board, though so little of the memory of the great Lincoln and of the great Washington as to fail to fly the school flag on the anniversaries of the birth of these two great patriots of our country? It's a fine example in patriotism to set the scholars when the School Board thus fail to honor the memories of the great Washington and of the great Lincoln! What's that pole and flag for anyhow? Either the School Board are ignorant of the fact that February 12 is the date of the birth of the great Lincoln and February 22d, of the great Washington, or thru their refusal or neglect failed to properly recognize it. In either case they are open to criticism, and I hope this discreditable incident will never happen again so long as the Academy building stands? This hotly spoke one of our leading business men to the Scribe, and we give it to our readers for their consideration—for their approbation or their reprobation. If we knew of the Board motives we would express our own views thereon. It certainly was a big blunder, but we cannot believe it was purposely done, but we join the critic in hoping it will never again occur.

Milk Contest at State Fair

A very interesting contest has been planned for the Cattle Department of the Delaware State Fair, for three days beginning Monday, September 4th, at 12 o'clock noon, and continuing until Thursday, September 7th, at 12 o'clock noon. To the cow producing the most butter fat during the time of the test shall be given as a first prize \$10 for each pound produced, second prize \$7.50 and third prize \$5.00. An entry fee of \$5.00 for each cow entered in the contest will be charged and milk produced must show at least 3.2 per cent. butter fat. The milking, measuring and testing will be done under the supervision of an authorized agent appointed by the association.

New Century Club

The members of the New Century Club observed Washington's birthday on Tuesday. Different women read items of interest about the "Father of His Country." Miss Julia E. Morton read a sketch of his life.

Mrs. Selden S. Deemer, of New Castle was present and gave a talk on "A Home for the Feeble-Minded."

Next Tuesday's program will be "The Menace of the Mentally Defective," by Mr. Alexander Johnson of the Training School at Vineland, N. J. This will be an open meeting and all are invited. Physicians especially are requested to attend the meeting.

Peach Blossom Grange had a play and social hour on Friday evening, instead of the regular Grange session. The play was entitled "The Obstinate Family," and was greatly enjoyed.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Many Condensed News Items of the Past Week

IN THIS AND NEARBY POINTS

Pull together.

Stop wrangling.

Don't be jealous.

Live and let live.

February gave us another touch of winter.

Mrs. D. W. Stevens delightfully entertained the U. T. C. Sewing Circle at her home on Monday evening.

The King's Daughters of St. Georges Methodist Church, gave a leap-year social at the parsonage Tuesday evening.

Judge and Mrs. T. Bayard Heisel, of Delaware City, left Saturday for Palm Beach, Florida, where they will spend several weeks.

Twelve recruits from Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, arrived at Delaware City the early part of this week, for duty at Fort duPont.

Citizens of Clayton generally will be glad when the sewer, water and gas pipes are laid and the streets can be put in permanent improved condition.

The new schoolhouse is rapidly nearing completion, at Townsend, and will be ready for occupancy by April 1. So far the structure has cost \$7,000.

The fourth quarterly conference of the Delaware City M. E. Church was held Tuesday evening, February 22, at the M. E. parsonage, by District Superintendent, E. L. Hoffecker.

George Finn, of Elk Neck, the left hand pitcher who won numerous ball games for the Middletown team last season, has been ordered to the South for the Spring training of the New York American League team.

Unclaimed Letters.—The following list of letters remaining unclaimed in the Post Office, for the week ending Feb. 17: Mrs. Fannie Epmson, Edna Hopkins, Delaware M. Reed, Louis Lodine, Leon Black, J. C. Jones.

Howard E. Davis, of Smyrna, was admitted to the Homeopathic Hospital, on Saturday, while at work as lineman for the Diamond State Telephone Company, near West Chester. He was severely injured by a pole falling on him.

D. A. Knotts & Son, of Blackiston's have purchased the half interest of the Blackiston's Canning Company of Mr. H. E. Mabrey, who recently moved to Smyrna. This cannery is the only one at Blackiston's and covers nearly two acres of ground.

While motoring near Ginn's Corner, N. W. VanHorn, of Townsend, lost control of the car, due to the steering gear becoming disabled, and the machine ran over a heavy thorn hedge. The front of the car was damaged and VanHorn was shaken.

Easter comes on April 23, Lent begins on March 8. This is within two days of as late as it ever begins. It fell on the same date in 1905, but will not again until 2000. But once in the present century will Easter come on the last day possible. This is April 25, 1948.

Mr. William Donovan, one of our popular young men as well as experienced salesman has decided to engage in a Gents' furnishing store, and has rented the store room to be vacated by Mr. Minors Banning. Mr. Donovan hopes to open his new store about April 1st.

The February meeting of the Middletown Parent-Teacher Association will be omitted on account of closing of school. The next meeting will be held on Friday evening, March 17th, when Dr. Charles A. Wagner will be present to continue his instructive talk on educational improvements.

At a sale on the farm of Walter Schriver, near McDonough, on Friday, a colt only 11 months old brought \$105 and the mother, \$215. Six hen turkeys brought \$11 each or more than 80 cents a pound. Sheep, first choice, brought \$13 and second choice, \$11 each. Cows sold as high as \$90 while chickens nearly 25 cents a pound.

Miss Clara Louise Rowe, State Organizer for the Congressional Union for Woman's Suffrage, will be the speaker of the afternoon, at a meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. George I. Lockwood on South Broad St. The meeting will take place on Saturday afternoon, February 26th, at 2:30 o'clock. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The supper given by the members of the New Century Club on Thursday, was a grand success notwithstanding the very disagreeable weather. The old New Era Office never looked prettier and the supper was simply delicious. Everything was sold and a little more than \$103 cleared. This money will be added to the Building Fund. It is hoped the ladies will give another such supper when they occupy their new home on North Broad Street.

George Janvier, teller of the Citizens National Bank of Middletown has tendered his resignation as teller, which took effect Wednesday night. William G. Lockwood, recently with the Peoples Bank, is filling Mr. Janvier's place temporarily. This is the fourth resignation which has taken place at the bank within a week. John S. Crouch and his two sons having resigned at the same time, their resignation to take effect on April first.

OBITUARY

JOSIAH FRANKLIN BAILY

The body of Josiah Franklin Baily of Philadelphia was brought here for interment in Forest Cemetery last Friday. Mr. Baily was the father of the late Mrs. Marian Baily Cochran of Middletown, and 79 years of age.

MRS. EVA COWDRIGHT YORK

Mrs. Eva (Cowdright) York, aged 58 years, wife of James T. York, a prominent farmer of near Brenford, was accidentally killed above Farnhurst Station about 8:30 o'clock Wednesday morning, by the southbound passenger train. She had been at the hospital for treatment, and in some manner got away from her nurse. Her death produced a profound shock in the Brenford district, where she had spent most of her life and was dearly loved and esteemed.

MRS. LOUISE MCCRONE NICKOLS

Announcements have been received here of the death of Mrs. Louise McCrone Nickols, of Baltimore Md., at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Nickols, was about 65 years of age and was the widow of Frank Nickols, who died about five years ago in Baltimore. She was the daughter of the late John and Mary Naudain McCrone, and lived here until her marriage. Mrs. Nickols leaves two daughters and a son, one sister, Mrs. Mollie McCrone Lupton of Misouri, and three brothers, George McCrone, of Baltimore, John W. and William A. McCrone, of this neighborhood. Mr. W. A. McCrone attended the funeral which took place from Mrs. Nickols' daughter, in Baltimore, on Wednesday afternoon.

MRS. ELIZABETH MCKAIN BOYER

Mrs. Elizabeth McKain Boyer, who for the past seven years has made her home with her niece, Mrs. W. C. Williams, of No. 130 Market street, West Chester, Pa., died suddenly Tuesday evening from paralysis. Mrs. Boyer was the widow of James N. Watson when she married William M. Boyer, since deceased, of Sasasfras, Md. She was a daughter of the late Edward and Sarah Sparks Cox and a granddaughter of Esau Cox, one of the pioneer brickmakers of Wilmington, whose large plants were situated on the East side.

Surviving her are three nieces, Mrs. W. C. Williams, of West Chester; Mrs. Thomas P. Sadler, of Delaware City; and Mrs. Edmund P. Moody, of Wilmington, and one nephew, W. A. Blanken, also of Wilmington. Second Baptist Church has long been her church home, she having been a communicant for sixty years.

ODESSA

Walter Wiest, of Carney's Point, spent Sunday at home.

Miss Mable Walls, of Church Hill, is visiting Miss Frances Davis.

George Shaw, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his parents here.

Miss Georgia Enos, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with her parents.

Mrs. Lillian Craig and son spent Tuesday with relatives in Chester.

Miss Carrie Phillips, of Hartley, Del., has been visiting her uncle, William Phillips.

Mrs. John McCoy is visiting relatives at Milford.

Miss Margaret McCoy spent several days of last week with relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards, of Washington, D. C., are visiting his sister, Leven James and wife.

Harry Heller and wife, of Chester, spent Sunday with his parents, William Heller and wife.

Clarke Coppage, of near Philadelphia, has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Georgia Coppage.

Charles Bush and wife, of Wilmington, have been spending several days with G. L. Townsend and family.

Epworth League Devotional service on Sunday evening at 6:45 o'clock, topic, "The Gold of God" leader, Mrs. Howard Morris. All are welcome.

The entertainment and supper given in the town hall on Tuesday evening, under the auspices of the Epworth League, was largely attended and much enjoyed by all. The amount cleared was about thirty dollars.

On Friday evening of last week Mr. and Mrs. William Phillips celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary, there being about fifty persons present, games and music were enjoyed and at a late hour refreshments of salad, biscuit, cake, coffee, and ice cream were served. All had a very enjoyable time.

The very interesting series of evangelistic meetings in Drawyers Church close with a special sermon to the young people on Sabbath night next, to which all are invited. These services have been well attended, the claims of the Gospel have been earnestly presented and it is hoped that much good has been accomplished.

The Apokinimink Tribe, No. 24, I. O. of R. M., of this town, will celebrate their 29th anniversary in their Hall, Tuesday, February 29th, 1916. The Seneca tribe, of Middletown, and the Mohawk tribe, of Townsend, will be the guests of the evening. A good time is anticipated. All members who can are cordially requested to be present.

A DESTRUCTIVE FIRE

The Home of John Bignear Was Burned on Sunday

FAMILY HAD NARROW ESCAPE

Early Sunday morning, fire caused by a defective flue broke out in the house on the farm of John Bignear, 1 mile east of Middletown. The fire spread rapidly, and the family barely managed to escape in their night clothing, the adults catching a few pieces of clothing as they went.

A son of Mr. Bignear called the telephone exchange, and the operator notified all within reach, and had the fire alarm sounded. The chemical apparatus of the Volunteer Hose Co. was sent to the farm, but

The Ball of Fire

by GEORGE RANDOLPH CHESTER
and LILLIAN CHESTER
ILLUSTRATED BY C.D. RHODES

CHAPTER XXIX—Continued.

"The decision does not lay in your hands, Doctor Boyd," drawled a nasal voice with an unceasing sneer in it. It was clean-shaven old Joseph G. Clark, who was not disturbed, in so much as the parting of one hair, by all the adverse criticism of him which had filled column upon column of the daily press for the past few days. "The rector has never, in the history of Market Square church, been given the control of its finances. He has invariably been hired to preach the gospel."

Sargent, Cunningham, Manning, and even Van Ploen looked at Clark in surprise. He was not given to open reproach. Chisholm manifested no astonishment. He sat quietly in his chair, his fingers idly drumming on the edge of the table, but his mutt-chop beard was pink from the reddening of the skin beneath.

"The present rector of Market Square church means to have a voice in its deliberations so long as he is the rector!" announced that young man emphatically, and Jim Sargent looked up at him with a jerk of his head. Rev. Smith Boyd was pale this afternoon, but there was a something shining through his pallor which made the face alive; and the something was not temper. Rufus Manning, clasping his silvery beard with a firm grip, smiled encouragingly at the tall young orator. "I have said that I have, so far as I am concerned, relinquished the building of the cathedral," the rector went on. "For this there are two reasons. The first is that its building will bring us farther away from the very purpose for which the church was founded; the worship of God with a humble and a contrite heart! I am ready to confess that I found, on rigid self-analysis, my leading motive in urging the building of the new cathedral to have been vanity. I am also ready to confess, on behalf of my congregation and vestry, that their leading motive was vanity!"

"You have no authority to speak for me," interrupted Chisholm, his mutt-chops now red.

"Splendor is no longer the exclusive property of religion," resumed the rector, paying no attention to the interruption. "If I thought, however, that the building of that cathedral would promote the spread of the gospel in a degree commensurate with the outlay, I would still be opposed to the erection of the building; for the money does not belong to us!"

"Go right on and develop our conscience," approved Manning, smiling up at the old walnut-beamed ceiling with its carved cherub brackets.

"The money belongs to Vedder court," declared the rector; "to the distorted moral cripples which Market Square church, through the accident of commerce, has taken under her wing. Gentlemen, in the recent revelations concerning the vast industrial interests of the world, I have seen the whole blackness of modern corporate methods; and Market Square church is a corporation! I wish to ask you, in how far the Market Square church has been swayed, in its commercial dealings, by moral considerations?"

He paused, and glanced from man to man of his vestry. Sargent and Manning, the former of whom knew his plans and the latter of whom had been waiting for them to mature, smiled at him in perfect accord. Nicholas Van Ploen sat quite placidly, with his hands folded over his cross-stitched vest. Willis Cunningham, stroking his sparse brown Vandike, looked uncomfortable, as if he had suddenly been introduced into a rude brawl; but his eye roved occasionally to Nicholas Van Ploen, who was two generations ahead of him in the acquisition of wealth, by the brilliant process of allowing property to increase in valuation. Chisholm glared.

"You'll not find any money which is not tainted," snapped Joseph G. Clark, who regarded money in a strictly impersonal light. "The very dollar you have in your pocket may have come direct from a brothel."

"Or from Vedder court," retorted the rector. "We have brothels there, though we do not officially know it. We have saloons there; we have gambling rooms there; and from all these iniquities Market Square church reaps a profit! For the glory of God? I dare you, Joseph G. Clark, or W. T. Chisholm, to answer me that question in the affirmative! No decent man would conduct the business

we do, for the reason that it would soil his soul as a gentleman; and it is a shameful thing that a gentleman should have finer ethics than a Christian church! In the beginning, I was a coward about this matter! It was because I wished to be rid of our responsibility in Vedder court that I first urged the conversion of that property into a cathedral. We cannot rid ourselves of the responsibility of Vedder court! If it were possible for a church to be sent to hell, Market Square church would be eternally damned if it took this added guilt upon it!"

"This talk is absurd," declared Chisholm. "The city has taken Vedder court away from us."

"Only the property," quickly corrected Rufus Manning, turning to Chisholm with sharpness in his deep blue eyes. "If you will remember, I told you this same thing before Doctor Boyd came to us. I have waited ever since his arrival for him to develop to this point, and I wish to announce myself as solidly supporting his views."

"Your own will not bear inspection!" charged Clark, turning to Manning with a scowl.

"I'll range up at the judgment seat with you!" flamed Manning. "We're both old enough to think about that!"

Joseph G. Clark jumped to his feet and, leaning across the table, shook a thin forefinger at Manning.

"I have been attacked enough on the point of my moral standing!" he declared, his high-pitched nasal voice quavering with an anger he had held below the explosive point during the most of his life. "I can stand the attacks of a sensational press, but when spiteful criticism follows me into my own vestry, almost in the sacred shadow of the altar itself, I am compelled to protest! I wish to state to this vestry, once and for all, that my moral status is above reproach, and that my conduct has been such as to receive the commendation of my Maker! Because it has pleased Divine Providence to place in my hands the distribution of the grain of the fields, I am constantly subject to the attacks of envy and malice! It has gone so far that I, last night, received from Rev. Smith Boyd, a request to resign from this vestry!" He paused in triumph on that, as if he had made against Rev. Smith Boyd a charge of such ghastly infamy that the young rector must shrivel before his eyes.

"I have led a blameless life! I have never smoked nor drunk! I have paid every penny I ever owed and fulfilled every promise I ever made. I have obeyed the gospel and partaken of the sacraments, and the Divine Being has rewarded me abundantly! He has chosen me, because of my faithful stewardship, to gather the food of earth from its sources and feed it to the mouths of the hungry; and I shall not depart from my stewardship in this church, because I am here, as I am everywhere, by the will of God!"

Perhaps W. T. Chisholm was not shocked by this blasphemy, but the dismay of it sat on every other face, even on that of Nicholas Van Ploen, who was compelled to dig deep to find his ethics.

"You infernal old thief!" wondered Manning, recovering from his amazement. "Was it Divine Providence which directed you to devise the scheme whereby the railroads paid you two dollars rebate on every car of wheat you shipped, and a dollar bonus on every car of wheat your competitors shipped? I could give you a string of sins as long as the catechism and you dare not deny one of them, because I can prove them on you! And yet you have the effrontery to say that a Divine Providence would establish you in your monopoly, by such scoundrelly means as you have risen to become the greatest dispenser of self-advertising charities in the world? You propose to ride into heaven on your universities and your libraries, and on the fact that you never gambled nor drank nor swore nor gambled; but when you come face to face with this horrible new god you have created, a deity who would permit you to attain wealth by the vile methods you have used, you will find him with a pitchfork in his hands! I am glad that Doctor Boyd, though knowing your vindictive record, has had bravery enough to demand your resignation from this vestry! I hope he receives it!"

Joseph G. Clark had remained standing, and his head shook, as with palsy, while he listened to the charge he can speak to everybody whether he's met 'em or not."

Fate so ordered it that ere our ears had ceased to tingle we met three other young women, strolling in the same direction as the former break. And, mindful of our regrettable break, we scanned them closely and decided that we did not know them. Therefore we passed them as if they had been trees. And again we heard one inquire, "Who's that?"

"His name's Robinson," was the answer. "He's a stuck-up feller from the city that goes along with his nose in the air and don't speak to nobody."

O, dear! O, dear! We are neither of those things they said, but what shall we do?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Working Both Ends.

"My friend," said the long-haired passenger to the young man in the seat across the aisle. "To what end has your life work directed?"

"To both ends," answered the young man. "I am sole proprietor of the only first-class hat and shoe emporium in our village."

of Manning. He was a very old man, and it had been quite necessary for him to restrain his passions throughout his life.

"You will go first!" he shouted at Manning. "I am impregnable; but you have no business on this vestry! You can be removed at any time an examination is ordered, for I have heard you, we have all heard you, deny the immaculate conception, and thereby the divinity of Christ, in whom alone there is salvation!"

A hush like death fell on the vestry. Rev. Smith Boyd was the first to break the ghastly silence.

"Gentlemen," said he, "I do not think that we are in a mood today for further discussion. I suggest that we adjourn."

His voice seemed to distract the attention of Clark from Manning at whom he had been glowering. He turned on Rev. Smith Boyd the remainder of the wrath which marked his first break into senility.

"As for you!" he snarled, "you will keep your fingers out of matters which do not concern you! You were hired to preach the gospel, and you will confine your attention to that occupation, preaching just what you find sanctioned in this book; nothing more, nothing less!" and taking a small volume which lay on the table, he tossed it in front of Rev. Smith Boyd.

It was the Book of Common Prayer, containing, in the last pages, the articles of Faith.

Clark seized his hat and coat, and strode out of the door, followed by the red-faced Chisholm, who had also been asked to resign. Nicholas Van Ploen rose, and shook hands with Rev. Smith Boyd.

"Sargent has told me about your plan for the new tenements," he stated. "I am in favor of buying the property."

"We'll swing it for you, Boyd," promised Jim Sargent. "I've been talking with some of the other members, and they seem to favor the idea that the new Vedder court will be a great monument. There'll be no such magnificent charity in the world, and no such impressive sacrifice as giving up that cathedral! I think Cunningham will be with us, when it comes to a vote."

"Certainly," interposed Nicholas Van Ploen. "We don't need to make any profit from those tenements. The normal increase in ground value will be enough."

"Yes," said Cunningham slowly. "I am heartily in favor of the proposition."

"Coming along, doctor?" invited Manning, going for his coat and hat.

"No, I think not," decided Rev. Smith Boyd quietly.

He was sitting at the edge of the table facing the Good Shepherd, at the edge of whose robe still sparkled crystalline light, and in his two hands he thoughtfully held the Book of Common Prayer.

CHAPTER XXX.

Hand in Hand.

Rev. Smith Boyd walked slowly out into the dim church, with the little volume in his hand. The afternoon sun had sunk so low that the illumination from the stained-glass windows was cut off by the near buildings, and the patches of ruby and of sapphire, of emerald and of topaz, glowed now near the tops of the slender columns, or mellowed the dusky spaces up amid the arches.

It was hushed and silent there, deserted, and far from the thoughts of men. The young rector walked slowly up the aisle to a pew in the corner near the main entrance, and sat down, still with the little Book of Common Prayer in his hand, and, in the book, the Articles of Religion. From them alone must be preached; nothing more and nothing less. That was the duty for which he was hired. His own mind, his own intelligence, the reason and the spirit and the soul which God had given him were for no other use than the clever support of the things which were printed here. And who had formulated these articles? Men; men like himself.

Rev. Smith Boyd suddenly made the discovery that he was not preaching God! He was preaching the church and its creed!

Started, now, he went through the thirty-nine Articles of Religion, one by one, slowly, thoughtfully, and with a quickened conscience. Reason knocked at the door of Faith, and entered; but it did not drive out Faith. They sat side by side, but each gave something to the other. No, rather, Reason stripped the mask from Faith, tore away the disguising cloak, and displayed her in all her simple beauty, sweet and gentle and helpful. What was the faith he had been called upon to teach? Faith in the thirty-nine Articles of Religion! This had been cleverly substituted by the organizers of an easy profession, for faith in God, which latter was too simple of comprehension for the purposes of any organization.

For a long time Rev. Smith Boyd sat in the corner pew, and when he had closed the book, all that had been behind the wall of his mind came out.

WANTED TO SHOW LOYALTY

Pathos in Offer of Burmese Villagers to Come to the Assistance of Great Empire.

L. P. Jacks tells this well-authenticated story in the Yale Review. It comes from a civil officer in a remote part of Burma.

One early morning not long ago this officer found an ancient Burman squatting on his heels in front of the lungalow whom he recognized as the head man of a village distant 50 miles away in the hills.

Questioned by the officer as to the purpose for which he had undertaken so long a journey through the jungle, the old man replied as follows:

"Thakin (master), my villagers wish to make some return for the favors bestowed upon us by the British government."

"And now I am come to tell you that we have in our village eight guns, ancient and well tried, and all held under a license granted by the most honorable Thakin; we have also four pounds of excellent gunpowder in a

bottle and a bag of bullets; these being neither more nor less than the Thakin's license permits us to hold.

"Moreover, there are in our village two trackers who have proved their skill in the capture of dacoits. Thakin, we have heard a rumor that the British government is in great trouble with its enemies."

"Wherefore, our villagers have empowered me to say that the eight guns, bottle of gunpowder, the bag of bullets and the two trackers are freely at the disposal of the British government."

Cause for Bellicosity.

"Well, I'll be damned!" ejaculated Lester Greenshaw of Petunia in the midst of his perusal of the village newspaper. "The Weekly Palladium has all along been for peace at any price, and here, this week, every editorial is in deploring somebody and yelling that everybody must apologize to us!"

"Yep!" returned Hod Durnitt. "A feller paid the editor two years' subscription in hard cider day before yesterday!"—Kansas City Star.



wealth, of power, of fame! He scarcely considered their loss; and in the ease with which he relinquished them, he knew that he was self-absorbed from the charge of using his conscience as a ladder of ambition! If personal vanity had entered into his desire to build the new cathedral, it had been incidental, not fundamental. It made him profoundly happy to know this with positiveness.

He called up the house of Jim Sargent, and asked for Gail.

"Come over," he invited her. "I want to see you very much. I'm in the church. Come in through the vestry."

"All right," was the cheerful reply. "I'll be there in a minute."

He had been very shy! He was tremendously pleased with himself! He had kept out of his voice all the longing, and all the exultation, and all the love! He would not trust even one vibration of his secret to a cold telephone wire!

He set the door of the vestry open wide. Within the church, the organist had conquered that baffling run in the mighty prelude of Bach, and the great dim spaces up amid the arches were pulsing in ecstasy with the tremendous harmony. Outside, upon the background of the celestial strain, there rose a fluttering, a twittering, a cooing. The doves of spring had returned to the vestry yard.

Just a moment and Gail appeared, poised in the doorway, with a filmy pink scarf about her shoulders, a simple frock of delicate gray upon her slender figure, her brown hair waving about her oval face, a faint flush upon her cheeks, her brown eyes sparkling, her red lips smiling up at him.

He had intended to tell her much, but instead, he folded her in his arms, and she nestled there, content. For a long, happy moment they stood, lost to the world of thought; and then she looked up at him, and laughed.

"I knew it from your voice," she said.

He laughed with her; then he grew

grave, but there was the light of the great happiness in his gravity.

"I have resigned," he told her.

That was a part of what she had known.

"And not for me!" she exclaimed. "It was not a question. She said that in him was no doubt, no quondary, no struggle between faith and disbelief."

"I see my way clearly," he smiled down at her; "and there are no thorns to cut for me. I shall never change."

"And we shall walk hand in hand about the greatest work in the world," she softly reminded him, and there were tears in her eyes. "But what work shall that be, Ted?" She looked up at him for guidance, now.

"To shed into other lives some of the beauty which blossoms in our own," he replied, walking with her in to the great dim nave, where the shadows still quivered with the under-echoes of the mighty Bach prelude. "I have been thinking much of the many things you have said to me," he told her, "and particularly of the need, not for a new religion, but for a re-birth of the old; that same new impulse towards the better and the higher life which Christ brought into the world. I have been thinking on the mission of him, and it was the very mission to the need of which you have held so firmly. He came to clear away the thorns of creed which had grown up between the human heart and God! The brambles have grown again. The time is almost ripe, Gail, for a new quickening of the spirit; for the second coming."

She glanced at him, startled.

"For a new voice in the wilderness," she wondered.

"Not yet," he answered. "We have signs in the hearts of men, for there is a great awakening of the public conscience throughout the world; but before the day of harvest arrives, we must have a sign in the sky. No great spiritual revival has ever swept the world without its attendant supernatural phenomena, for mysticism is a part of religion, and will be to the end of time. Reason, by the very nature of itself, realizes its own limitations, and demands something beyond its understanding upon which to hang its faith. It is the need of faith which distinguishes the soul from the mind."

"A sign," mused Gail, her eyes aglow with the majesty of the thought.

"It will come," he assured her, with the calm presence of prophecy itself. "As no great spiritual revival has ever swept the world without its attendant supernatural phenomena, so no great spiritual revival has ever swept the world without its concrete symbol which men might wear upon their breasts. The cross! What shall be its successor? A ball of fire in the sky? Who knows! If that symbol of man's spiritual rejuvenation, of his renewed nearness to God, were, in reality, a ball of fire, Gail, I would hold it up in the sight of all mankind though it shriveled my arm!"

The thin treble note stole out of the organ loft, pulsing its timid way among the high, dim arches, as if seeking a lodgment where it might fasten its tiny thread of harmony, and grow into a song of new glory, the glory which had been born that day in the two earnest hearts beneath in the avenue of slender columns. The soft light flooded in on the compassionate son of man above the altar. The very air seemed to vibrate with the new inspiration which had been voiced in the old Market Square church. Gail gazed up at Smith Boyd, with the first content her heart had ever known; content in which there was both earnestness and serenity, to replace all her groping. He met her gaze with eyes in which there glowed the endless love which it is beyond the power of speech to tell. There was a moment of ecstasy, of complete understanding, of the perfect unity which should last throughout their lives. In that harmony, they walked from the canopy of dim arches, out through the vestry, and beneath the door above which perched the two gray doves cooing. For an instant Gail looked back into the solemn depths, and a wistfulness came into her eyes.

"The ball of fire," she mused. "When shall we see it in the sky?"

THE END.

Flying War Horse.

A correspondent of the Milan "Corriere della Sera" reports the following story:

"An Italian lieutenant recently rode through one of the villages on the Isonzo front. He dismounted before the temporary quarters of the commander of his regiment and tied his horse to a tree. When he entered the house he heard the humming noise of a large Austrian shell and a moment later a terrible explosion followed. The shell had struck a small building on the opposite side of the street. An immense cloud of smoke and dust rose and when it disappeared the horse of the officer was gone.

"The air pressure caused by the explosion had lifted the animal from the ground and thrown it on the flat roof of a nearby house, where it was found almost unhurt. It was no easy job to get the horse to the street again, as this could only be accomplished with the aid of a large crane."

Are You Operating a Mosquito Farm?

Do you know that you are probably a breeder of mosquitoes? Many a man keeps a regular mosquito farm and does not know it. Are you one of this kind? You are, if on your premises you have open water barrels, empty tin cans, open water tanks, marshy or low ground that holds the water after rain. Of course, if you like being bitten by mosquitoes and like to run the risk of having them carry to you some taint of disease, why you will not do anything to destroy the mosquito breeding places. If the people of every community would get together on the mosquito question, the "domestic" mosquito could be eliminated.

Field Spiders.

If you look out upon your lawn any early morning in the summer you will see here and there glistening with dew drops perhaps a score of tents about as big as one's hand. These are the tents of the funnel web weavers, the on-legged spiders of field and meadow. In the middle of these flat or concave horizontal webs in the grass is a silken tube leading down, anchoring the fabric to the ground,

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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LESSON FOR FEBRUARY 27

THE SEVEN HELPERS.

LESSON TEXT—Acts 6. GOLDEN TEXT—Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.—Gal. 6:2.

It would be a source of great blessing if every teacher and scholar would read through the book of Acts several times during the year. Such reading will give vision, inspiration and a more comprehensive idea of the continuation of what Jesus "began," and which record is not yet fully written. The time of this lesson is about A. D. 35, though Ramsey places it at 32, 33; and the place, the city of Jerusalem.

I. The Occasion, vv. 1-2. For a time the preaching of the Gospel of Jesus continued in Jerusalem, but soon the pressure of circumstances thrust it forth as prophesied (1:8). There were two groups of men in the early church: those who had been born in Judea who spoke Hebrew (Aramaic), and those born in foreign cities and who spoke the Greek language. Trouble arose over the distribution of funds among certain of the dependent widows—the text suggests "secret disbursements." There was imperfection, selfishness, suspicion and jealousy in that early church. We do not know what grounds there may have been for complaint, but no sooner did the occasion arise that the apostles set about to remedy the difficulty.

II. The Method, vv. 3, 4. It does not appear that God gave the church a cut and dried program according to which it must act. Certainly the church had no precedent to follow, and step by step God was developing it. This lesson gives us a suggestion of those steps: (1) As the occasion demanded, (2) The Apostles refused to diminish their praying and preaching, literally it was "not pleasing" to God for the Apostles to "serve tables." Such work must be done, certainly, but it was not to be done by these God-appointed and selected leaders, their duty was clearly stated. The ministers' business is praying and ministering the word. These things should fully engage his attention, and in them he is "to continue steadfastly." The minister cannot manifestly "know more about books than the schoolteacher; more about politics than the politician; more about medicine than the doctor; more about psychology than the college professor." No, that is out of the question, though he should be intelligent in these lines. But he should be pre-eminent in prayer and in the ministry of the word, and furthermore he should preach that word pre-eminent.

(3) The church, not the apostles, must needs select these new officials. (4) The qualifications of these men, who were thus to care for these temporal affairs, were (a) "men of good report," not those bearing doubtful reputations, nor chosen because they were rich or shrewd in business. (b) "full of the spirit." It demands the Spirit-filled man to look after financial affairs as certainly as it does to teach or preach the word. (c) "Full of wisdom." Men of common sense, a quality often sadly lacking among spiritually-minded men. Men meeting such qualifications will be men of "the spirit of power, of love, and of a sound mind" (literally sound sense). (1 Tim. 1:7).

III. The Method of Choosing, vv. 5, 6. (1) The people did the choosing. The early church seems to have been remarkably democratic. (2) The choice was made after, and not before, prayer had been offered. This is a suggestion and a warning for present-day practice of choosing church officials. (3) It was a legal selection, not the selection of a minority, and it was confirmed by the laying on of the hands of the apostles. This last was to signify the anointing of the Holy Spirit and the separation unto their particular task of these men. It is significant that every man chosen bore a Greek name, and suggests that Jewish church desired to avoid any charge of favoritism. The spirit of fairness, of love and of concession, and the character of the men chosen, caused the "word of God to increase exceedingly."

IV. The Result, vv. 7, 8. First of all upon the people. (1) The word "increased." (2) The number of disciples "multiplied greatly," and (3) Some of the priests of the Jews were "obedient to the faith." Secondly, the result in the lives of the thus chosen and Spirit-anointed men gave evidence of the good hand of God. They were "full of grace" (Eph. 4:9, Acts 15:15); they were "full of power" (1:8). The first two of them soon became great and mighty preachers as well. Indeed as far as we can read they even outstripped the apostles themselves in real achievement for God. Stephen, of course, stands out pre-eminent. His character is suggested in verse eight. He was (a) "full of faith," (b) "full of the Holy Spirit," (c) "full of grace" (R. V.), (d) "full of power." How sad it is that so frequently our churches fail to make a wise and spirit-led choice of its leaders, and are content with few, or perhaps none, being added to its membership. One great denomination reports a thousand churches having no additions by confession or letter for the period of a whole year. All the way through the book of the Acts we read this same history of an ever growing church, a church that surmounted all sorts of obstacles, conquered every foe, and went forward from Jerusalem even to Rome.

No man is fit to be an officer in the church of Christ unless he is filled with the Holy Spirit. (Acts 1:8, Luke 24:49).

Such a man will always stir up opposition of the powers of evil, even as did Stephen.

FIFTEEN STATES JOIN THE FIGHT

Want West Virginia Prohibition Law Sustained.

DECISION WILL AFFECT ALL

Brief Claims There is No Difference in Principle Between Right to Manufacture and Right to Import.

Washington.—Attorney generals of 15 States filed with the Supreme Court a joint argument in support of the constitutionality of the West Virginia liquor law prohibiting the receipt and possession of intoxicating liquors for personal use and of the Federal Webb-Kenyon liquor law prohibiting the shipping of intoxicating liquors into States for use in violation of State laws.

The States representing were Arizona, Georgia, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Mississippi, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Washington and Alabama.

The decision of the court in the West Virginia cases, now before the court for oral argument is expected to be the most important adjudication in the temperance fight in a decade.

"It seems strange at this late date," the attorney generals stated to the court in their brief, "to hear a claim made that the State and national governments' guarantee to a citizen the right to possess and receive liquor for personal use and to drink the same in unlimited quantities. If such had been the case, it is difficult to see how any sort of prohibitory law could have ever been sustained, since all of them have a direct tendency to reduce or prevent the use of intoxicating beverages, and it is the purpose of all of them to promote temperance by the prevention of the consumption of intoxicants." This purpose has found repeated expression in adjudged cases.

"If a citizen of a state has a right to obtain intoxicating liquors for his own use in any quantity, or in unlimited quantities, it would seem to follow he should at least have the right to manufacture such liquor for his own use from the products of his own labor, and yet it is settled he has not such right."

Turning to the Webb-Kenyon law, the attorney generals urged that to accomplish the valid purpose of prohibiting the traffic in liquors it is necessary for a state to have the right to control interstate shipments even for personal use.

"This is a step which has a far relation to the end to be accomplished," they contended. "What is the difference in principle between the denial of the right to manufacture and a denial of the right to import?"

NINE KILLED IN WRECK.

Fully Fifty Injured in Collision Near Milford, Conn.

Milford, Conn.—Disregard of a cautionary signal probably was responsible for the rear-end collision on the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad near here, in which nine persons lost their lives and fully 50 were injured, according to Charles C. Elwell, of the Connecticut Public Utilities Commission. The State's investigation already is under way, but in as much as four railroad employees, the most important witnesses, were killed, it will be difficult to fix responsibility, Mr. Elwell said. Two passengers, a man and a woman, were killed instantly when a local train running at 40 miles an hour crashed into the rear of the Greenfield Express, which had been stalled because of a broken air hose. Two other passengers died in hospitals to which they were taken.

RADIO REACHES ALL SECTIONS.

Preparedness Message Took 90 Minutes to Pacific Coast.

Chicago.—The message sent by wireless to Governors of the States and Mayors of the large cities at 11 o'clock Monday night from Davenport, Iowa, as a demonstration of the radio preparedness of the country's 25,000 licensed amateur operators, reached the remotest parts of the country through various relays, according to advices received here.

KILLED ON BATTLESHIP.

Fireman on Delaware Victim of Exploding War Evaporator.

Washington.—An explosion of the evaporating shell on the battleship Delaware, off Guantanamo Sunday night, caused the death of Edward McNulty Rebeby, the Navy Department announced. Rebeby's father, at Jamestown, N. Y., was notified. Rebeby was a first-class fireman, in charge of the evaporator which distills fresh water from sea water.

TO AMEND BANKRUPTCY LAWS.

Congressman Coady Wants Time to Ask Discharge Extended.

Washington.—Representative Coady, of Baltimore, introduced a bill in the House amending the bankruptcy laws so that the time limit for a bankrupt to apply for discharge may be extended. There are a number of cases where the bankrupt has failed to ask for discharge in the time limit, which he result that the case had to be heard in the courts.

COULDN'T SATISFY THEM ALL

First Group Calls the Visitor "Fresh" and the Second Pronounces Him "Stuck Up."

First comes the introduction, in which it is necessary to consider three things—the way sounds carry in a summer evening in a village; the fact that one's own name, spoken by another, can be distinguished though the rest of the conversation is unintelligible; and, thirdly, the difficulty in remembering just whom you've been introduced to in a strange town. Then comes the incident, leading up to the moral, which is: What's the Use?

Walking down the street the other evening we met three young women. Their faces were familiar, and we said "Good evening." They stared, but did not answer, and we moved rapidly on, blushing and we heard one say in a loud whisper: "Well, who's your friend?"

"No friend of mine," asserted another. "His name's Robinson, and he's a first-class feller from the city that

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MR. JUSTICE BRANDEIS
THE Transcript gladly joins the almost universal Press in warmly applauding the appointment by President Wilson of Louis D. Brandeis as a Justice of the United States Supreme Court in the seat made vacant by the death of Justice Lamar.

No act of the President reflects greater credit upon him than this worthy choice for that high and responsible office.

The selection of Mr. Brandeis has met with an instant approval among almost all classes and parties, while the free and unbiased Press is generally favorable. The opposition to him comes almost wholly from Wall Street, and the Special Interests whose venal, subsidized organs at once set up a great howl, calling Mr. Brandeis a "radical", "a socialist", "wanting in judicial temperament" etc.

It is an unforgivable sin in the eyes of Wall Street and all Big Business that Mr. Brandeis has not been a believer in the divine right of money-bags—in the special privileges of rich and powerful corporations to do as they pleased, usurp law and justice to their own selfish purposes and against all the rights of the people.

Because he has refused to hire to stoop to the ignoble task of pandering to plutocratic royalty—as do so many of our foremost lawyers—but on the contrary has nobly fought without hire the battles of the common people, these possessors of vast and ill-gotten wealth are to a man against him, using every form of quibbling and slander to defeat his confirmation.

Mr. Brandeis is not only a learned and experienced lawyer, but he is an expert political economist of keen and far-reaching views upon the important questions of the day that vitally concern the whole country.

His most noted trait of character is that which more than any other made Lincoln at once so famous and so beloved—a belief in and love of the common people, for whose rights we find him in public life constantly demanding, with voice and pen, an adequate recognition, as against the tyranny and robbery of the great corporations.

He has made open and bitter war against these huge corporation engines of plutocratic rascality, and thus earned their bitter hatred and their fierce antagonism.

Witness his bold and winning fight against the Ballinger-Morgan et al. Alaska steal; his long and equally successful war on the huge Morgan-Mellen et al. conspiracy that wrecked the N. Y., New Haven and Hartford, R. R.

His tory critics and all the mighty forces of Big Business had come to think that it was a necessary qualification for a justice on the Supreme Bench that he had for years as their hiring attorney served their interests, and tooth and toenail fought those of the people.

That as a lawyer he had dared to spurn their rich bribes and fight on behalf of the common herd, the holy and almighty Trusts, was a sure proof that he lacked "a judicial temperament", and was, therefore, evidence conclusive of his unfitness to sit in that exalted tribunal.

So the Predatory Trusts, the railroads and all of the big corporations, with their liars and their lobbies are moving heaven and earth to defeat this heretical lawyer who actually believes the great mass of the people have equal, aye, greater rights than these big corporations.

"What! a Justice on the Supreme Bench who has never served an apprenticeship as our attorney, impossible! We do not want our Bench tainted with the presence of any lawyer who has been an advocate for the rights of the people as against our special privileges."

The people generally, the hosts of organized Labor and the unfettered Press everywhere, are demanding of the angry, reactionary senate his confirmation, and we believe that they will not dare affront so strong and wide-spread a public sentiment much as they would like to serve Wall Street and Big Business.

The coming of Mr. Brandeis to the Supreme Bench will mark an epoch that is a glowing prophecy of better things—of the diviner day that judicially recognizes the superior rights of men over things, of manhood over property. Moreover the United States will honor itself by seating for the first time in its judicial history a Jew upon its highest

woolsock just as England has already done in the person of Sir Rufus Isaacs, now Lord Reading; "Lord Chief Justice of England."

The Smyrna Gas Works, Joseph Smithers, proprietor, changed ownership recently, when the plant, franchise, etc., passed to the Kent County Light, Heat and Power Corporation a new concern of which C. W. Heyd, of Harrisburg, Pa., is the secretary, treasurer and general manager.

GO TRAWLING IN LAGOONS

Whole Community Indulges in Pastime of Fishing in South Pacific Islands.

The natives of Barotonga, one of the islands in the South Pacific ocean, have a singular method of catching fish in which the whole community takes part, according to the New York Evening Journal. On the shore of the island there are many long, narrow lagoons, each lying between a beach and an outer reef of coral, that usually swarm with fish. The natives choose one of these stretches of shallow water for the fish drive, and close all breaks in the reef by laying nets across them or building up rough barriers with pieces of coral.

When they have done that, 600 or 700 men, women and children wade into one end of the lagoon carrying little plaited fiber bags filled with utu nut. In most places the water is about three feet deep and nowhere more than four feet; so the natives march slowly up the lagoon, trailing behind them the bags of utu nut. As this substance is wet it forms a peculiar narcotic, which it diffuses through the water. The process is called poisoning the lagoon.

Half an hour is allowed for the "poison" to spread, and at the end of that time all the fish are under the influence of the drug and are swimming about in a confused and aimless manner. The natives, armed with long-pronged spears, form a line that reaches from side to side of the lagoon, and drive the intoxicated fish before them. When the fish are all collected at the farther end of the lagoon the natives begin to cry, "Eh-hu-hu-u-u!" and the barbed spears fly in all directions. The natives are very dexterous with the spears and the fish are so sluggish, owing to the effects of the utu nut, that very few of them escape.

Many of the "poisoned" fish seek the shelter of the coral reef and hide in the crevices, and so some of the natives "fish" the reef. They put on glass goggles and sink beneath the water, where they remain submerged for one or two minutes. They feel about among the coral for the listless fish, which they get with a short thrusting spear. These methodical fishermen usually make the biggest catches, but the "merry men" in the open water enjoy the best sport.

BROOKLYN MAN A BARONET

American-Born Citizen Can Claim British Honor If He Should Be So Minded.

In the news recently there appeared the statement that P. H. Graham & Co. of 17 Battery place, New York, the charterers of the steamship Winnebago, taking noncontraband goods to Swedish or Danish ports, declared everyone concerned in the ownership or charter of the vessel to be a native-born American. While Mr. Graham was born in this country, his father, Sir Robert James Stuart Graham, is the tenth baronet of Esk, the creation of the title dating from 1629. He succeeded to the title in 1867 and in 1874 married Miss Eliza J. Burn of Brooklyn, where he has lived ever since. His eldest son and heir to the title, Mr. Montrose Stuart Graham, also lives in Brooklyn. Mr. Percival Harris Graham, head of the shipping firm, is the second son, and lives at Bay Ridge. The first baronet of Esk distinguished himself at the battle of Edgehill, and the third baronet was a British ambassador to France and a one-time secretary to James II.

Upholder of Spontaneous Life Dead.
"The death of Dr. Henry Charlton Bastian removes the last member of the great scientific school which numbered among its associates Pasteur and Darwin and Huxley," says the London Times.

"Doctor Bastian was one of the fighting men of science; he knew no compromise, he sought no discharge. All his life he did battle for ideas which were unacceptable and which, in spite of his labors, never achieved acceptance."

"These ideas may be stated shortly as the conception of life as a form of energy which is capable of arising spontaneously. Doctor Bastian denied the theory that life arises always from other life—the theory of Pasteur and his disciples; he claimed that he had proved conclusively that life could arise of itself from inorganic material."

Parole Is Recommended.
Indeterminate sentences and the parole system for prisoners are recommended in the annual report of the District of Columbia board of charities. The short-sentence system is deplored on the ground that in most cases of commitments of ten, fifteen or thirty days no substantial reformation can be accomplished. Under the recommended system prisoners would be subjected to a maximum of two years, subject to parole on record of good conduct at any time before the expiration of the maximum term.

Worth While.
"Have you ever had a vice commission in this town?" asked the visitor. "We've never had one here," answered the old resident. "I fear this isn't a progressive community." "But maybe you have never needed anything of the sort."

"I don't know about that, but there are always so many curious persons glad to serve on a vice commission without any pay that it's decidedly the cheapest form of municipal advertising I know of."

TO KILL LOG-EATING GOATS

Lumber Company Orders Herd Executed When It Gets Entirely Too Ravenous.

Goats are perfect marvels in clearing forest lands for cultivation. They eat the brush down to the roots, take the "slash" from lumber operations for dessert, and prepare the forest for agriculture in a way that no man can do except at great expense, says the Minneapolis Journal. In northern Minnesota the homesteader or settler who has a herd of goats is the envy of all his neighbors. But when the goats begin to eat sawlogs their usefulness has passed; they become a menace to society. This is the danger that confronts northern Minnesota unless proper precautions are taken.

In a semi-official report to W. T. Cox, state forester, a district ranger tells an interesting experience. Finding that it was somewhat expensive to burn the "slash" and to carry out the orders for forest fire prevention the company decided to obtain a band of goats to do the work.

The goats did well. They ate all the brush, all the slash, the grass and the shrubbery. The lumber company was pleased.

But when the grass and shrubbery, brush and slash were exhausted the goats tackled the pulpwood and the logs. Directors of the company decreed that the goats be slaughtered.

"This will teach lumber companies not to cut their timber too small," was Mr. Cox's comment.

MOSLEMS TO BE RECOGNIZED

Legislation Will Make Their Religion Legally Recognized by Hungary.

The Moslem religion will be legally recognized in Hungary if a bill introduced by the Hungarian minister of justice is enacted into law by the Hungarian diet.

In addition to giving the Moslem religion every right enjoyed by any other recognized faith in Hungary, the proposed law will also permit the teaching of Mohammedan dogma and the founding of Moslem religious institutions so far as they are not in conflict with the existing laws.

While Mohammedans in Hungary have in the past enjoyed full liberty of conscience, they were as yet deprived of certain civil rights which functionaries of other recognized creeds exercised. The bill now before the diet effaces some of these disabilities automatically, as soon as it becomes a law, while others are removed by express provisions, as was done in the case of the Mohammedans of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Of Moslem communities in Hungary the Danube island of Ada Kale, near Orsova, is the largest, though groups large enough to form religious communities are found in many parts of the country.

War Economy.

Richard Harding Davis, the war correspondent, said, the other day, in Pittsburgh:

"The allies are getting together at last. They are working together. In their plans we see no more selfishness. They were very selfish at first. Their selfishness was typical, in fact, by an economy story—a story about a rich Englishman."

"This wealthy old fellow, when the economy-and-save movement was at its height, said warmly over a regalia and a glass of liqueur brandy at the club:

"Economy, eh? Economy, is it? Well, by Jove, it's incredible how one can economize if one sets one's mind to it. I lopped five pounds a week off my household expenses at one stroke this morning by cutting off all the servants' meat."—Washington Star

\$10,000,000 for Poodles.
"The most astounding extravagance of the women of America is that we spend \$10,000,000 each year for poodles," Mrs. R. L. Barker told this to the delegates to the annual meeting of the Women's International Missionary union recently in describing how American women make the money fly. She continued:

"We spend more for hats yearly than it takes to support the army and navy and several other federal departments. We also spend \$107,000,000 for soft and cooling drinks and \$178,000,000 for candy. It is time to call a halt and to return to the sane ways of our mothers."

Gunless Hunter.

The gunless hunting championship is confidently claimed by the Beverly Dispatch for A. A. Forrest, the prominent mirmid of Beverly, who, strolling afield the other day, dispatched two plump and subsequently succulent rabbits by hurling apples at them, and a third by the digging-out-of-hole-with-sharp-stick method. Mr. Forrest, who has a sort of primal sense of humor, afterward stated in his pithy way that he never yet had heard of a mirmid's untimely demise through climbing a fence with an unloaded apple or sharp stick in his hand.—Ohio State Journal.

Some Improvement.

"Mrs. Dubwaite doesn't seem to mind how much Mr. Dubwaite operates the phonograph."

"In the language of a well-known advertiser, 'There's a reason.'"

"Yes?"
"As a choice between two evils, Mrs. Dubwaite much prefers the phonograph. Mr. Dubwaite's favorite diversion in the evening used to be picking out a tune on the piano with one finger."

Select Jewels With Care.

Theosophists who make a study of the occult never rush into a store and buy offhand a turquoise or sapphire or amethyst, but they select the stone that responds to them, because with them a jewel becomes part and parcel of their beings, to be loved and cherished for all time. They wear jewels that harmonize with their eyes, hair and skin, and they claim with all seriousness that certain stones bring them life and health.

Foundation for Dickens' Success.
How hard I worked at that tremendous shorthand and all improvements appertaining to it! I will only add to what I have already written of perseverance at this time in my life, and of a patient and continuous energy which then began to be matured in me, and which I know to be the strong point in my character, if I have any strength at all, that there, on looking back, I find the source of my success.—Charles Dickens.

New Idea in Concrete Work.
A concrete pile has recently been invented which possesses important advantages over the kind formerly used. It is driven by boring its own hole with a stream of water ejected with considerable force at its point. Water at a pressure of 250 pounds is forced through the iron pipe forming the core of the pile, cutting a hole as the pile descends. The water dissolves earth and sand and thrusts rocks aside.

Must Remain Unsolved.
The statement that "The Old Oaken Bucket" was inspired by a terrifically hot day can hardly be expected to arouse any weird gestures or loud screams of indignant denial, especially since the author, Samuel Woodworth, son of a Massachusetts farmer, was born in 1785 and can scarcely be in a position to state his views of the case.

Figures in Africa's Favor.

A group of explorers and adventurers just back from Africa report that during the six years of their wanderings they employed perhaps 20,000 porters and lost but one man killed, a record which might give pause to people who have thought things about the comparative safety of that continent and Europe.

Goose Had Long Life.

An interesting specimen of the goose family died recently in the Dublin Zoological gardens. It was a remarkable bird from the point of view of its longevity. As nearly as can be ascertained it had reached the age of forty-four years. This appears to be a record period of existence.

Conversational Wares.

The farmer whose barn burns has acquired a conversational staple that will serve him for years; but the man who has lived through massacres and revolutions and wars is in no hurry to display his conversational wares.—William T. Ellis in the Outlook.

Paradox.

The accuracy woman displays in business is due to her being fundamentally inaccurate. It is not the accurate people who are always accurate; it is the inaccurate people on their guard.—W. L. George, in Atlantic Monthly.

Reflecting on His Judgment.

If there is one thing that makes a man madder than another, it is reading the glowing statements in the advertisements of tobaccos other than the one he smokes.—Rochester (N. Y.) Union and Advertiser.

One Way of Looking at It.

"What a beautiful woman!" "I'm glad you think so. That is my wife." "I congratulate you, old man. It must be a pleasure to lose every argument to a woman like that."—Detroit Free Press.

Made Into Goldbeater's Skin.

The vermiform appendices of oxen slaughtered in the municipal abattoir at Prague are manufactured into goldbeater's skin, which is extensively employed in aeroplane manufacture.

Must First Reach Age of Wisdom.

"It is only when a man has reached the happy age of wisdom that he is capable of just judgment in regard either to his own actions or to those of others."—Schopenhauer.

Hardly.

Mrs. Kawler—"Do you consider Alice very good looking?" Mrs. Flunder—"Oh, Alice is pretty enough; but I wouldn't call her an Adonis."—Boston Transcript.

Ancient Musical Instruments.

The violin type of musical instrument has been used from an unknown period of antiquity, and the viol has been traced back to the eighteenth century.

Seasonable Thought.

The selfish man suffers more from his selfishness than he from whom that selfishness withholds some important benefit.—Emerson.

Favor Not Appreciated.

Sometimes, when you do a man a favor, all you get is his resentment for having caught him at a disadvantage.

Geography of Efficiency.

Definition of a successful business: A small body of well-dressed men entirely surrounded by stenographers.

Imitation Ivory.

Imitation ivory is obtained from the cut of a kind of palm which grows in South America.

Foods Rich in Proteids.

The reason why all forms of meat, cheese and eggs form so satisfying a diet, is not because they are rich in calories, but because they are rich in proteid. In order to be properly nourished, one may paraphrase the famous proverb, "Take care of the pence and the pounds will take care of themselves," and make it read, "Take care of the proteid and the calories will take care of themselves."



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STATE AND PENINSULA

Shortest month.

Spring is near at hand.

Soon be time to sow peas.

Frogs are beginning to peep.

Dover has a daily fire-alarm test.

Anthrax has broken out near Seaford.

J. William Wachter will be a candidate for mayor of Laurel.

Lack of help is hampering the crate and basket factory at Georgetown.

A Loyal Temperance Legion with 35 members has been organized at Dover. Engineers are surveying Seaford freight yards for changes in the tracks.

Plans have been prepared for a new club house for the New Century Club of Newark.

Davis Brothers, of Colona, have opened an auto 'bus line between Elkton and Chestertown.

Delaware College Orchestra is arranging for a concert trip to Georgetown, Milford and Dover.

The Sherwood Pickle Company, of Boston, which has a plant at Seaford, has gone into bankruptcy.

Seaford Acorn Club is planning to build a clubhouse and has assessed each member \$5 to start the fund.

Washington Fire Company, Wilmington, held a reception in celebration of its seventy-sixth anniversary.

In a fall, Thomas Rushton, a machinist in the plant of the Harlan & Hollingsworth Corporation, broke a leg.

Prizes for essays on peace will be offered to Wilmington High School students by the Delaware Peace Society.

Students of the Women's College gave their second annual dance in Residence Hall, Newark, 60 couples participating.

The only negro Y. M. C. A. in Delaware, that at Milton, held a Bookers T. Washington memorial service Sunday night.

The Atlas Powder Company has declared a 2 percent regular and a 3 percent extra dividend on the common stock.

It is said the waters of the Indian River are covered with wild ducks. But what's the difference you can't shoot them.

"Home Run" Baker, star third baseman of Connie Mack's champion Athletics, has been sold to the New York Americans.

James E. Hoffecker, of Smyrna, was selected as foreman of the Kent County Grand Jury, and Charles E. W. Izel, of Wyoming, as clerk.

Don't complain and find so much fault about what other people are not doing or have not done. Just roll up your sleeves and help some.

The contract to oil the road between Cecilton and Warwick was awarded to the Juniata Paving Company, the State to bear one-half of the expense.

The time for the Shakespearean festival to be held at Delaware College has been fixed for Friday evening and Saturday afternoon, April 28 and 29.

A Plymouth Rock hen belonging to Mrs. J. W. Clouser, near Burrsville, mothered and raised thirty-four guineas. The young fowls were sold for \$12.75.

Secretary Daniels last Friday approved the recommendations of the academic board at the Naval Academy dismissing 82 midshipmen for failure in their studies.

Eleven Delaware College freshmen "flunked" their mid-year examinations. Some of the boys went back to their homes while others went to some other school or work.

The Grand Lodge of Delaware, A. O. U. W., will meet in Wilmington on March 13-14. It is expected that Supreme Master, Will N. Narvis, of Muscatine, Ia., will attend.

A dog owned by Robert Morris, a farmer near Laurel, was found to be afflicted by the rabies, and the Laurel authorities have directed that all dogs shall be muzzled for a few weeks.

Prothonotary Wilbur D. Wilds has issued the trial and argument list of civil cases for February term of court in Kent county. There are twenty cases on the trial list, including nine divorce cases.

A bake was held on Saturday by the Parent-Teachers' Association. About \$35 was cleared from the undertaking, which will go to a fund to provide a playground for the children of the Newark school.

Friendship Circle, No. 12, Brotherhood of America, of Little Creek, has paid the widow of Captain William B. Woodall, who with his crew, was drowned in Delaware Bay on November 19, last, \$530 insurance.

Woman's character may be likened to a postage stamp—one black mark ruins it. Man's character may be likened to a green-back—no matter how many stains it still passes as par. This is certainly not a just standard, yet it has been established by society of the world over.

Town Point M. E. Church members broke ground for their new church in the midst of a storm of wind and rain, last Saturday afternoon. 75 people braved the weather, and the Rev. J. H. Thornton made a very interesting address. Several hymns were sung and Mrs. William Turner, Sr., and Miss Lillian Smith broke the ground, while the people sang "Praise God From Whom all Blessings Flow."

Plans are under way to have "Billy" Sunday conduct services at Elkton Armory one day during his Baltimore evangelistic campaign.

Improvements are being made to the lines of the Georgetown Electric Light Company, preparatory to the installing of day current in a short time.

The Elkton Chautauqua backers have selected June 6 as the opening date, and elected Henry M. McCullough chairman, and John H. Terrell, secretary.

Norman Spear, of Chesapeake City, recently sustained a broken leg when the belt of his engine came off and threw him against the fly-wheel.

Commanders of the four militia companies stationed in Wilmington have issued an appeal for preparedness, and enlistments have been increased.

Most faithful of beasts is the horse; most cruel of animals is the owner or driver who does not consider the comfort of the horse in cold weather.

The commissioners for Cecil county held special sessions in Elkton Thursday and Friday of this week to hear appeals from personal property assessments.

Elwood Shorter, colored, aged 16, who is alleged to have broken into a Charles Young's laundry in Delaware City, was held in \$300 bail for the Grand Jury by Magistrate Reybold.

Charles W. Bush, of Wilmington, in an address on "Americanization," at Delaware College Washington's birthday exercises, advocated the naturalization of alien women under the same conditions as all men.

It is mooted that William A. Watson, Jr., of Blackbird Hundred, will enter the race for the Democratic nomination of county commissioner from the Seventh district. Charles Jones, of Townsend, is already in the field.

We don't care a "hay-copper" whether the ground hog saw his shadow or not, for the weather has been very "hoggy" ever since the second day of February. We are certain, however, that the weather is ruled by a higher power than a little old ground hog.

The P. R. R. has just placed in service between Rehoboth and Harrington and Franklin City and Harrington, new steel baggage and mail cars. These cars are of the very latest type and conform in every way with the requirements of the Postoffice Department.

While Mrs. Peter Welch, of Milton, was working in the kitchen of her home, a bullet crashed through the window and lodged in the wall near her head. Who fired the shot is not known, but it is supposed some of the boys in the neighborhood were shooting a rifle and that the stray bullet came into the house.

Samuel Lomax, tenant on the Cooch farm, Cooch's Bridge, was attacked by a bull on Thursday and badly bruised. The animal knocked Mr. Lomax down when he entered the barnyard, and finally struck him with such force as to knock him under the fence surrounding the yard. No doubt saved the man's life.

Frederick Schoen, aged 22 years, an employee of the Continental Fibre Company, of Newark, was instantly killed last Friday morning, when struck by a train on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. The body was cut in two. It is thought the young man attempted to board a freight train when he slipped and fell beneath the wheels.

The Baltimore Sun is planning a home State tour for the Maryland corn club boys in connection with Maryland Week this year. The Prize winners of the various corn clubs will be divided into two parties of 25 each. Those from the Western Shore will be given a tour of the Eastern Shore and those from the Eastern Shore will be taken through Western Maryland.

Newark firemen celebrated the 27th anniversary of the organizing of the Aetna Hose, Hook and Ladder Co. with a banquet, Wednesday night, in the new Armory. Daniel Thompson was chairman of the committee on banquet and about 75 members participated. Dr. Walter H. Steel was toastmaster and members made addresses. Music was furnished by an orchestra.

TIDE ENCRUCHING ON SHORES

That the waters of the Delaware bay are gradually encroaching along the Delaware coast is being proven plainly in many sections, but conclusively so at Bowers Beach where it has taken away nearly a half mile of the resort. It is demonstrated at Kitts Hammock, Kent county's summer resort, where the cottages have repeatedly been moved back inland. The little town of Bowers Beach is one of the oldest in Delaware, having been founded in 1675 by a Wm. Withwell, who obtained the land grant of 1400 acres from the Duke of York. The first building was constructed by Mr. Withwell on a site that is now many feet under water, and is nearly a half mile from the present water line. It was called "Withwell's Delight," and was gradually moved in shore as the water encroached on it. The property finally passed into the hands of W. H. Well's son-in-law, John Bowers, from which the place derived its name of Bowers Beach. For years the spot has been a favorite bathing place and recreation ground for Delawareans. The old graveyard at Bowers Beach contains a number of rough stones that mark the graves of the Bowers family.

SHERIFF'S SALES

SHERIFF'S SALE—BY VIRTUE OF a writ of Lev Fac to me directed, will be exposed to Public Sale at the Court House, on Market street, between Tenth and Eleventh streets, in the city of Wilmington, New Castle county, Delaware.

ON SATURDAY, THE 4TH DAY OF MARCH, 1916, At 10 O'clock, A. M., the following described Real Estate, viz: All that certain brick message and lot of land, situate in the city of Wilmington, aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a stake in the southerly side of Fifth street (formerly Queen), between Market and King streets, at a corner of James P. Merriew's land; thence through the middle of the middle wall dividing this message from the said James P. Merriew's adjoining message, south thirty-two degrees west; sixty-one feet, two inches to a stake in Doctor L. P. Bush's line (formerly William Hemphill); thence with his line north fifty-eight degrees, west sixteen feet, seven inches and seven-eighths of an inch to a stake, a corner of Doctor L. P. Bush's and Sarah H. Way's land; thence with said Sarah H. Way's line, north thirty-two degrees, east sixty-one feet and ten inches to the aforesaid side of Fifth street, and thence thereby easterly, sixteen feet, seven inches and seven-eighths of an inch to the place of beginning. Containing one thousand and twenty-five square feet of land, be the same more or less.

TR-CT No. 2. All that certain building and lot or piece of land, situate in the city of Wilmington, aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a point on the southerly side of Fifth street at the distance of one hundred and forty-two feet, five and one-eighth inches easterly from the easterly side of Market street; thence southerly parallel with Market street, sixty-one feet, ten inches to a stake; thence easterly parallel with Fifth street, sixteen feet, seven and seven-eighths inches to a stake; thence northerly parallel with Market street, sixty-one feet, ten inches to the same side of Fifth street, and thence thereby westerly, sixteen feet, seven and seven-eighths inches to the place of beginning, be the contents thereof what they may.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of James Thompson, Administrator of Annie Thompson, formerly Annie Niedermaier, Mortgagee, and to be sold by HARRY J. STIDHAM, Sheriff, Sheriff's Office, Wilmington, Del., February 16, 1916.

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All that certain lot, or parcel of land situate in the city of Wilmington, aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a point on the northerly side of Klund street, at the distance of one hundred and eighty-five feet, eight and one-quarter inches, easterly from the easterly side of Pine street; thence northerly and parallel with Pine street, forty-six feet to the southerly side of a three feet wide alley leading into Spruce street; thence easterly by said side of said alley, and parallel with Klund street twelve feet and two inches to a corner for land now or late of Mary McManis; thence thereby southerly and parallel with Pine street, forty-six feet to the said northerly side of Klund street, and thence thereby westerly twelve feet, and two inches to the place of beginning. Together with the free use and uninterrupted use of the said alley in common with others entitled thereto forever.

Seized and taken in execution as the property of Harold G. Whitehouse, Administrator of Hugh McGinnis, Deceased, and to be sold by HARRY J. STIDHAM, Sheriff, Sheriff's Office, Wilmington, Del., February 16, 1916.

Dog Ordinance!

Section 1. All persons owning dogs within the said town of Middletown, Del., shall apply at the office of the Town Clerk for a tag to be duly numbered; and it shall be the duty of the owner of such dog or dogs, to place the same upon a collar to be worn by each dog. Each applicant shall pay to the clerk the sum of One dollar for each tag. And it shall be the duty of said Clerk to enter in a Registry to be kept for that purpose, the name of each applicant, and the number of the tag issued to him.

Section 2. On and after the first day of March, A. D. 1916, dogs and running at large in the streets or elsewhere, within the limits of said Town, without a collar and tag duly issued under the provisions of this Ordinance, will be impounded for a period of 24 hours, and if the owner does not call for his dog before the expiration of that time, and pay a fine of 50c, and the additional sum of One Dollar for a tag, the dog will be promptly killed.

Section 3. Any person or persons owning or harboring a dog or dogs and failing to comply with Sections 1 and 2 of this Act within five (5) days after the same goes into effect, or any person or persons who may hereafter become the owners of or harbor any dog or dogs, and shall not immediately comply with the said Section, shall be deemed guilty of maintaining a common nuisance and liable to a fine of One Dollar and Costs for each day the said nuisance is maintained, and in default of same to be committed to the Workhouse for a term not exceeding Sixty days, at the discretion of the Alderman.

By order of the
Town Commissioners.
Middletown, Del., Feb. 7th, 1916.

Owen T. Chance

Contracting
HOUSE PAINTER
Middletown, Delaware

Estimates Given. Your Work Solicited
NOTE—As a resident and tax-payer of Middletown, I feel that I am entitled to estimates on local work.
PHONE 117-3

All Work Guaranteed

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

St. Georges Hundred

The taxable residents of St. Georges Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1915 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be at

AT R. S. CARPENTER'S STORE, IN PORT PENN., SATURDAY, FEB. 26th, 1916 From 9 to 11 A. M.

TOWN OFFICE, MIDDLETOWN SATURDAY, FEB. 26th, 1916 From 2 to 5 o'clock P. M.

AT ASPRIL'S SHOPS IN ODESSA EVERY MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY During FEBRUARY, 1916 From 7 to 12 A. M.

EXTRACT FROM THE LAWS OF DELAWARE, GOVERNING THE COLLECTION OF TAXES OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY, SECTION 3, CHAPTER 30, VOLUME 21, LAWS OF DELAWARE, AS AMENDED: Section 3.—That on all taxes paid before the first day of October there shall be an abatement of five per centum. On all taxes paid before the first day of December there shall be an abatement of three per centum. On all taxes paid during the month of December there shall be no abatement whatever. And on all taxes unpaid on the first day of January there shall be added one per centum per month until the same shall be paid.

GEORGE E. RHODES, Collector of Taxes for St. Georges Hundred.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

APPOQUINIMINK HUNDRED

The taxable residents of Appoquinimink Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1915 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

AT THE OFFICE OF GEORGE M. D. HART, OF TOWNSEND, DEL. EVERY SATURDAY, During FEBRUARY, 1916, From 2 to 5 o'clock, P. M.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

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W. S. MONEY, Collector of Taxes for Appoquinimink Hundred.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS

Blackbird Hundred!

The taxable residents of Blackbird Hundred, and all persons liable to pay tax in said Hundred, are hereby notified that the Taxes for the year 1915 are now due, and the undersigned Tax Collector for said Hundred, will be

S. A. DAVID'S RESIDENCE, FOREST, DEL. WEDNESDAY, FEB. 23d, 1916 From 1 to 3 P. M.

AT BLACKBIRD, SATURDAY, FEB. 26th, 1916 From 1 to 3 P. M.

Tax bills can be obtained by making personal application to the Collector, or by sending written communication enclosing stamps.

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HARRY S. WOODKEEPER, Collector of Taxes for Blackbird Hundred.

EACH DESIGN IS PRETTIER THAN THE LAST ONE



It only remains with you to decide the colors you want. Our carpets and rugs are famous for their beauty, because we buy only the richest patterns, and also take the greatest care to keep in stock only those goods that have proven their durability. Come in and see them. You are bound to be pleased.

J. H. EMERSON
Middletown, Delaware

NOTICE—DIVIDEND!

CITIZENS' NATIONAL BANK
Middletown, Del., Dec. 24, 1915.
The Board of Directors have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of FOUR (4) PER CENT. clear of all Taxes payable to the Stockholders on and after January 15, 1916.
JNO. S. CROUCH, Cashier.



WHEN THE WAITER BRINGS

in your order, and puts it upon the table, are you sure it will please you; will the food be good and cooked to your liking? We need not ask this question if you patronize our restaurant for our patrons tell us we give the best meals in town. Come in and prove this to be true.

THE WHITE CAFE

MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

Ordinance!

BE IT ORDAINED, That all property holders or persons occupying property in this town, shall keep the sidewalks free from all obstructions, and on the falling of any snow, shall have it removed within six hours from the time of its ceasing to fall, except when the snow ceases to fall between the setting and rising of the sun, in that case the snow must be removed by 10 o'clock A. M., on the next morning, under a penalty of one dollar and costs, for each and every offence.

N. B.—When according to the above article, the clearing of the sidewalks, would fall on Sunday, in that case the property holders or those occupying the property, shall be excused from said clearing until the following day.

By Order of
THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN.
Jan. 18th, 1916.
P. S.—The Ordinance will be enforced to the limit.

Farms for Sale!

450 acres.....	\$22,000 00
350 acres.....	20,000 00
311 acres.....	18,500 00
165 acres.....	15,000 00
387 acres.....	15,000 00
291 acres.....	12,000 00
172 acres.....	10,000 00
41 acres.....	7,200 00
120 acres.....	6,000 00
80 acres.....	4,000 00
16 acres.....	850 00
100 acres.....	7,300 00
165 acres.....	14,000 00
200 acres.....	11,500 00
110 acres.....	9,500 00
110 acres.....	5,750 00
390 acres.....	16,000 00
123 acres.....	10,000 00
132 acres.....	6,500 00

Also several Town Properties.
JOHN HELDMYER, JR.
Phone 170. Real Estate Agent.
North Broad St. Middletown, Del.

Shoe Repairing

I have purchased a new electric machine for finishing my work, which enables me to turn out all work in the shortest possible time, and the finish is far superior to hand-finished work.

L. FROMKIN
Kates' old stand, East Main St.
MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

NOTICE

Having removed and overhauled the old Shallcross Mill, near McDonough, we are in a position to do all kinds of milling work, Satisfaction guaranteed. Come and give us a trial and be convinced that you can get the best flour and finest meal and ground feed at Shallcross Mills. Thanking you for past favors and trusting that we may have a continuance of the same,
We beg to remain,
Yours respt.,
Shallcross & Klotzbecher

Shallcross & Klotzbecher

Going Out Of Business

We have decided to discontinue business about April 1st, and during the next 30 days, will dispose of our entire stock of General Merchandise, Groceries, Store Fixtures, Etc., at greatly reduced prices. Don't miss this opportunity to save money.

Watch for our Special Announcement Next Week! We will sell for CASH ONLY during the month of March.

M. Banning & Son

Middletown, Del.

SECURITY TRUST AND SAFE DEPOSIT COMPANY

Sixth and Market Sts., Wilmington, Del.
Capital, \$600,000. Surplus, \$700,000.
Our Trust Certificates of Deposit are an Excellent Investment—as good as Paid-up Life Insurance Policies. They are issued in denominations of \$100, \$200, \$500 and \$1,000 and bear 4 per cent. interest. These Certificates have Coupons attached, representing the interest, which can be cut off every six months, and on presentation will be paid by the Company.
Officers:
Benj. Nields, Pres. L. Scott Townsend, Vice-Pres.
John S. Russell, Vice-Pres. Harry J. Ellison, Secy.
Lert J. Maloney, Treasurer.

Valuable Stock Farm for Sale Cheap

375 Acres, on road from Mc Donough to Port Penn. This farm has splendid dwelling in excellent condition, and large outbuildings in excellent repair. This farm will keep 100 head of Cattle and as many sheep. One of the best grass farms in the county, and grows fine crops of wheat and corn. It has 20 acres of meadow land, if trucked properly will pay for the farm in 6 years. The price is only \$15,000 just \$40 per acre with fine roads to railroad, Middletown or Wilmington. Only one person can buy this great bargain, so get busy and see me quick.

E. H. Beck

Middletown, Delaware.

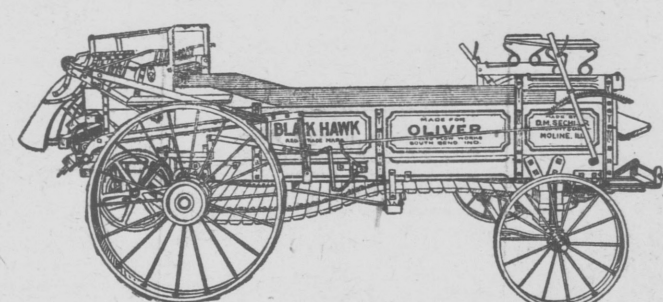
Our Furniture

is guaranteed to stand up with the coming years. It is not to be thrust aside when the journey of life is half over. Our furniture will see you through to the end. All the prevailing woods fashioned in exquisite taste into dainty and substantial works of art. Sets for every room and individual pieces as well. Spring Matting, Rugs, Linoleum.

W. J. WILSON Middletown, Del

The Transcript, \$1.00

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"BLACK HAWK" Spreader

Made for Oliver Plow Works

Light draft. Easy to load. Best construction.
Wide spread. Paddles to help pulverize manure.
Spreads 7 feet wide. It is 41 in. from ground to top of box.

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MIDDLETOWN, DELAWARE

RHEUMATISM A CURE

This wonderful private cure for Rheumatism should be tried by every sufferer. It will cost you nothing to try it. So sure are we of its power to cure you that we do not ask you to send a cent. Just mail us your name and address and we will send this great remedy to you to try. After you have used it and experienced its wonderful benefits, you may send us one dollar. But if you are not satisfied, you owe us nothing. Leave it entirely to you. We take your word. We could not make this offer except that we know you will be benefited. Then why not cure your Rheumatism?

The longer you delay the worse you suffer. Write today. After you have tried this remedy you will be only too glad to tell every one of your wonderful recovery. Read this advertisement over again. All we ask is a trial. Address

BALTIMORE MEDICINE CO.
329a Title Bldg., Baltimore, Md.
CUT THIS OUT.

Paper matches are built into a new paper cigarette box.

To Prevent The Grip
Colds cause Grip—Laxative Bromo Quinine removes the cause. There is only one Bromo Quinine. A. W. GROVE'S signature on box. See

A method by which all liquors can be solidified into tablet form has been invented by a French chemist.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the original little liver pills put up 40 years ago. They regulate liver and bowels.—Adv.

Seaweed is made into a composition to take the place of bone for hand files of cutlery.

Piles Relieved by First Application
And cured in 5 to 14 days by PAIN EXPELLER, the universal remedy for all forms of Piles. Druggists refund money if it fails. See

New Arsenal for Greek Navy.
Much of the preliminary work has been done on the proposed new arsenal for the Greek navy, which is to replace the present arsenal at Salamis. The cost of the new establishment is estimated at \$14,000,000. The work is being carried out under the direction of British engineers.

RELIABLE REMEDY RESTORES KIDNEYS

For many years druggists have watched with much interest the remarkable record maintained by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It is a physician's prescription. Swamp-Root is a strengthening medicine. Dr. Kilmer has it for years in his private practice. It helps the kidneys, liver and bladder do the work nature intended they should do.

Swamp-Root has stood the test of years. It is sold by all druggists on its merit and it will help you. No other remedy can successfully take its place.

Be sure to get Swamp-Root and start treatment at once.
However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper.—Adv.

Historical Records Lost.
There are two great nations of antiquity whose inscriptions cannot yet be read—the Etruscans and the Hittites. The Etruscans occupied a part of Italy corresponding roughly to what is now known as Tuscany. The Hittites at one time occupied a part of Palestine and united with the Canaanites to resist the invasion by the Israelites under Joshua. The Etruscan and Hittite inscriptions have thus far resisted the attempts of scholars to decipher them, though no one knows when someone may stumble on a bilingual inscription which will serve as a key, just as the Rosetta stone, discovered in Egypt in 1799, served as a key to the Egyptian hieroglyphics. In the new world, the so-called Maya inscriptions, found on the ruins in Yucatan, are also a puzzle to scientists.—Christian Herald

New Steamship Line Projected.
The congress of Ecuador has granted a concession for a steamship line between Guayaquil, Ecuador and Philadelphia. The vessels of the company are to navigate under the Ecuadorian flag and at least one-half of the employees are to be natives of Ecuador. It is stipulated that the steamships must begin running within one and one-half years after the signing of the contract.

Wouldn't Chase Him.
"Do you think that stimulants would hurt me, doctor?"
"Not if you leave them alone."

Greatest Results

often come from simplest means.

For instance—one's daily food plays a big part in deciding for success or failure.

To bring out the best mental and physical forces sound nourishment is imperative.

Grape-Nuts

—A FOOD

made of whole wheat and malted barley, supplies in splendid proportion all the rich nourishment of the grains, including the valuable mineral elements, lacking in many foods, but most necessary for vigor and activity of brain and body.

"There's a Reason"
for
Grape-Nuts

Sold by Grocers.

FOR JUVENILE WEAR

New Fabrics and Styles Have Been Introduced.
Brown Gabardine Bids Fair to Be Popular This Spring.

As an accentuation of the change that has taken place in juvenile clothes, there is a new frock advanced as the most correct model for spring; it is made of brown gabardine embroidered in yellow, with a yellow satin blouse.

The use of this fabric and this color is unusual in children's clothes, and it shows that we are tending away from the conventional theories of what should be worn and dipping into the region of the unknown. It is quite true that the tiniest youngsters have worn woolen clothes when no attempt was made for fashion and only comfort and health were considered; but whenever there was even the smallest altar to fashion raised in the sewing room, small children were kept to washable materials.

Another new frock for children that is quite different from the ordinary and shows the new movement toward originality, has a tight-fitting bodice of blue velvet with a blue-and-white checked taffeta skirt. One of the most startling house gowns that has been invented for children which was worn as a page costume at a smart wedding, had a skirt built of many ruffles of white silk net, topped by a short, white satin bodice with



Coat of Blue Serge, Cape and Belt Trimmed With Gold Braid.

slight shoulder straps of tulle. The gown was an exact replica of the most fashionable frock that is being worn by young women of twenty, and yet, the interesting fact about it was that the dress was definitely youthful. In addition to a few pink rosebuds, a pair of flesh pink socks and heelless, white satin slippers with ankle straps took all the sophistication away from the frock.

The milliners have kept up with the dressmakers in devising new kinds of things for children, and one of the new straw hats to be exploited in the spring has a tulle crown through which the hair shows. As a rule, quantities of tulle are not used in juvenile hats, although miles of it have been employed everywhere else. The fashion for colored worsted flowers has crept into small hats, but many of the critics have regarded it as more suitable there than anywhere else.

Of course, the present fashion for smoking spreads over into youngsters' clothes, and the brilliant smocks of colored satin and crepe de chine have been imitated in small frocks. Entire frocks of pale yellow or blue-and-rose-colored china silk are smoked at the shoulders, the wrists and the hips, the latter holding the fullness into the figure and obviating the necessity of a belt.

Summer frocks of fine muslin or organdie will have smocking of cambric thread with no other ornamentation used but a bit of lace at the wrists and neck.

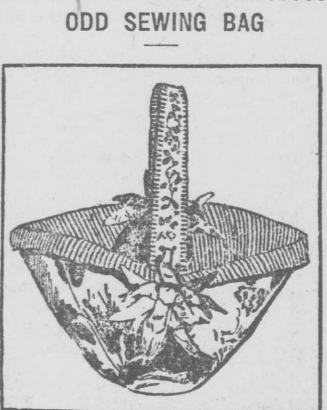
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STYLES FOR SMALL GIRLS

Skirts of Serge Buttoned to Waists of Cotton or Linen Are Liked—Velvet Coats Popular.

Skirts of serge plaited in wide side or box plaits and buttoning at a very high waist line to plain little waists of white heavy cotton or linen are youthful versions of the separate skirt and waist costume, and the sailor suit and one-piece Russian smock, low belted, are as popular as ever for children.

Plain smocks over plaid or striped



ODD SEWING BAG

Made from the crown of an old hat, lined with silk and covered with cretonne.—From the Delineator.

For those who have scant eyebrows pure alcohol and almond oil in equal parts is said to be a good stimulant. Take a little on the end of the finger and massage it into the skin.

skirts are shown in very attractive combinations, and sometimes a clever little smock of black or dark blue velvet is worn over a skirt of rather gay stripe or plaid wool, but little of the skirt being in evidence if the model is for a small child.

Appropos of velvet, which is such a mainstay with older folk, the small girls are wearing much of it, too, but chiefly in coats, such adorable velvet coats, trimmed, like the coat of the grownup, in fur. The fur is not, however, applied with a lavish hand, as in the case of the grownup. It is used most discreetly. A little turnover collar and cuffs to match, of beaver or ermine or seal perhaps, or more often a mere border of fur on collar and cuffs of the coat material, give just the needed note of contrast on velvet of some lovely color, soft old blue or rose or brown or red.

PROPER WAY TO HANG SKIRT

Care Necessary If One Would Have It Retain Its Original Shape—The White Dress.

Every woman knows how hard it is to hang up a skirt so that it retains its original shape. Here is one way in which it can be done:

Take an ordinary wooden coat-hanger and screw underneath the hanger two small brass hooks about one inch long. Place them at either side of the center hook, at equal distances from it. Hang the loops of the skirt on the hooks. A jacket can be slipped on the hanger without wrinkling the skirt.

To improve the shiny serge or cloth lay it flat on the table and pass a piece of fine sandpaper very gently over the shiny part. The sandpaper will roughen up the nap again, but be careful not to rub too hard, as it may wear a hole in your material.

When putting away white dresses wrap them in dark blue cambric to prevent them from turning yellow. Paper can also be used and can be blueed by dipping in strong bluing water and dried. Fine centerpieces and dollies not in use should be kept wrapped in dark blue tissue paper.—Farm and Fireside.

ROSES WORN ON THE HATS

New Mode Has Largely Had the Effect of Doing Away With the Corsage Bouquet.

No more will the bouquet of roses, usually worn at the corsage, be seen there. A new place has been discovered for it. A place far more attractive, where everyone can see it from a distance. Here is shown the new



usage to which the bouquet has been placed. American Beauty roses gathered together with a wide ribbon are used with more than veiling effect by Ladies of Paris in trimming this straw-braided hat. The crown is very high, and the brim very narrow.

Jersey Cloth Again.

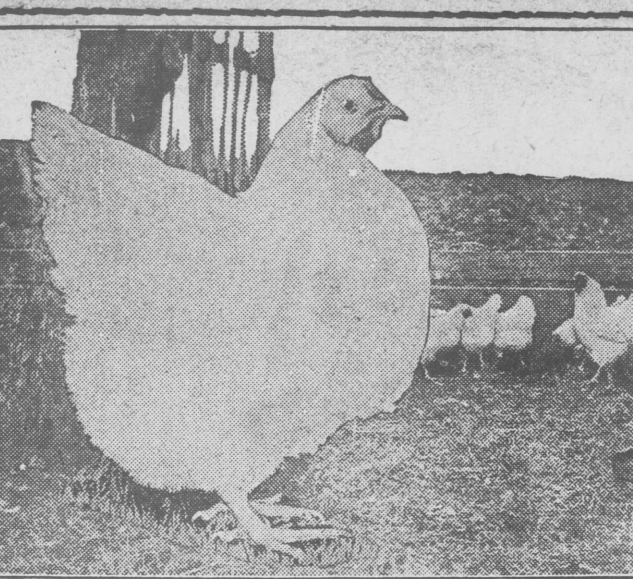
We all lamented the coming of full petticoats for one thing; the jersey silk petticoats were so well that they were a delight, but they were hardly stiff enough to give the fullness required by present fashions.

There are signs of a strong fashion for jersey silk cloth next spring, and for its durability if for nothing else we ought to be glad to welcome it. Those of us who had jersey silk sport blouses last summer know just how well it wore.

Shirred Pockets.
A very attractive dainty frock for a young girl is made of pink taffeta. On each side of the skirt there is a patch pocket, shirred at the top, and decorated with a little spray of blue and pink chiffon flowers.

Muff Substitute.
The very newest tailored costumes are shown without a muff, but they are trimmed with huge or medium-sized collars of fur and deep cuffs, which when the bands are clasped together look exactly like a muff.

MAKING PREPARATIONS FOR SPRING WORK



An Excellent "String" of White Wyandottes.

Perhaps you have been raising poultry for many years but with indifferent success—just fooling along with a few hens, of many different breeds, feeding any old thing, in old, tumble-down houses, alive with mites and lice, and unclean.

Maybe you have wondered why you have not had the success that some of your neighbors had and perhaps are discouraged and ready to say there is nothing in the poultry business.

This is true if you continue in the same old way, but if you will follow a few simple rules, which every successful poultry raiser must follow, you cannot help being successful in just the degree of painstaking care with which you carry on the work.

In the first place you must have clean, well ventilated poultry houses. These do not cost much and on the average farm they can be constructed of old boards and by the labor of a handy man, in one or two days.

The houses must be provided with clean nests. Build the houses whenever possible, facing the south, leaving the front open except the covering of small mesh wire to keep out predatory animals.

If you intend to use incubators and brooders provide a comfortable brood house which can be closed up to shut out the cold, damp drafts of early spring. Set your incubator in a warm place—in the attic, the cellar, or in some room well protected.

Next, we want to impress you with the fact that you cannot raise good chickens from poor eggs. If you are satisfied with the mixed breeds, good, bad and indifferent, there is little advice to give you as to their management.

If you propose to raise good chickens, fowls that will lay the greatest number of eggs, or produce the greatest number of pounds of meat, select your breed, and then buy purebred eggs. You can only get these by buying from breeders whose integrity is unquestioned, and who are ready to guarantee that their eggs will produce birds true to type.

Insist upon having eggs from hens and not from young pullets. Eggs from a hen that is fully grown and

matured will naturally produce more birds and stronger birds than eggs from pullets who are still in a state of growth.

Sometimes it is true that pullet eggs hatch out well, but they do not produce birds with the vigor and stamina that come from mature eggs. And you will find that the chicks from pullet eggs will be more subject to disease and more will die.

If you have a good breed and raise your own eggs, separate the best hens of your flock and select the best eggs from these. Never set an egg from a hen that is puny, or that has had a touch of disease at any time, or that is any way deformed, no matter how slightly.

If you use an incubator, you must watch it day and night, and after you have learned all that the manufacturer tells you in the directions on the machine, you must use your own common sense and comply with the varying conditions of climate.

When the youngsters come out of their shells they, too, must be watched every day and be cared for in every detail all the time. Young chickens cannot be raised by any person who is frequently away from home for long intervals. One must be on the job all the time.

The most important thing in starting young chicks is to refrain from feeding them a single atom for at least 36 hours. Nature has filled their little stomachs before they left the shell and if they are stuffed as soon as they appear, many will die.

Give them plenty of water and after thirty-six hours feed them lightly on fine rolled oats or coarse cornmeal. Then, just as soon as they show strength and vigor, let them run on the tender, short grass for a little while every day.

Watch for lice from the start, and if any are found on the heads or under the wings, touch the spots lightly with lard or vaseline.

Having started right by following the above directions, your success depends upon the fidelity with which you manage the flock until they become fledged or are ready to be sent to the market.

PRINCIPAL RATION FOR EGGS

Cracked Corn, Wheat and Heavy White Oats Are Three Chief Ingredients of Mixture.

One of the principal rations used in one of the most successful laying contests of the year consists of:

Cracked corn Pounds.
Wheat 60
Heavy white oats 40
Barley 20
Kaffir corn 10
Coarse beef scraps 10

We believe that plump oats, wheat, barley, cracked corn and beef scraps would give about the same results, writes M. F. Greeley in Dakota Farmer.

Six thousand eggs to the farm, is the way our statisticians have it, or about 70 eggs to the hen. And this with a goodly number of trap-nested birds producing over 200 eggs, not a few over 250 to 286. Too many roosters, old hens, late, good-for-nothing chickens and culls generally are largely the cause of this low average. Let's all try to raise it.

Since utility, and not quite so much foolery, governs the selection of prize fowls now much more than it did, the so-called moss-back farmers are taking more interest in poultry shows; and not only that but they are taking more birds home with them when they go than when birds were judged wholly by stripe, comb and feathers. Sensible farmers, refusing to be fooled, have brought much of this change about.

Easy Victims of Disease.
Inbred poultry become easy victims of disease.

WHY CHICKENS CATCH COLDS

Too Close House Has Same Effect as Drafts and Exposure—Fowl Does Not Sweat.

Drafts and exposure are causes for chickens taking cold, but a too tight house will bring about same results.

The fowls come out—not sweating, for a fowl does not sweat—but fairly steaming from the heat of their own close bodies.

The cold air strikes them and they take a quick chill.

Sometimes it is their heads and eyes that first show the effects of that chill, sometimes it is the throat or lungs.

Spice of Life.
Variety is the spice of life: It is also the pride of success in the feeding rations of poultry.

Don't Overfeed Fowls.
Do not at any time overfeed your fowls: give just enough to have them clean it all up nicely.

HENS PRODUCING MOST EGGS

Comparison Made of Hen-Hatched Chickens and Artificially Hatched—Incubator Is Favored.

Experiments conducted by the New York State College of Agriculture, extending over a period of three years, disproved the theory that hen hatched chickens are of higher vitality than those hatched in incubators. The first year the hen hatched pullets laid more eggs than the incubator hatched ones. The second year the incubator pullets succeeded, both in number and in profits, as they laid more regularly during the season when eggs were high priced. During the third year the balance was still more in favor of the artificially hatched hen. Also, she was in better condition.

The chicks were hatched from eggs of the same quality, and fed and housed in the same manner. The experiment will be continued for many years, so that more accurate conclusions can be arrived at. So far, the chicks, hatched by incubator from eggs laid by hens hatched from incubators, have proved more steady and valuable egg producers.

Purebreds Excel as Layers.

The purebred poultry of today lay more eggs, attain better size and young stock mature faster and are better table fowls than the common mixed stock.

Keep Breeding Geese Thin.
Breeding geese should be kept moderately thin in flesh through the winter by light feeding and a free range for facilities for swimming.

Test Hatching Eggs.

In laying eggs for hatching, it is a wise and a safe rule, no matter how healthy your birds seem, not to assume the eggs produced are fertile, or that they will hatch. The safe plan is to test them at home. If a setting from any given mating hatches reasonably well with you—then go ahead.

Keep Front Open.

Don't, because of freezing weather, close up the chicken house front! Cold weather is just the time to keep the front open. But stop the cracks at the back, sides and in the roof. Drafts and leaks are the trouble breeders.

Eggs Absorb Odors.
A fresh egg will absorb odors as readily as fresh milk. Mustiness or moldy growth in egg cases or fillers will taint the egg and lower its quality.

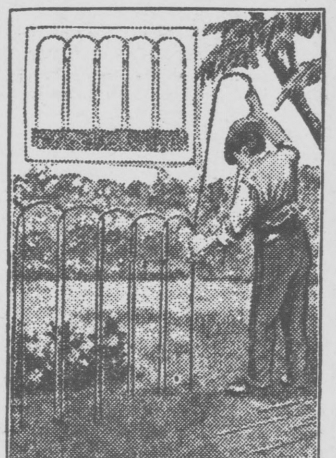
Make-up of Prime Broiler.
What the market calls a prime broiler is one that has a plump breast, broad back, clean yellow legs, yellow skin and small comb.

HomeTown Helps

GOOD SECTIONAL WIRE FENCE

Easily Erected, and Will Add Much to the Appearance of Any Property.

A recently invented sectional fence designed for quick and easy erection is composed of U-shaped units, each of which is made from a single piece of wire, the ends of the wire being driven into the ground in such a way that the units overlap and are secure.



Fence Made Up of U-Shaped Wire Sections, Designed for Quick and Easy Erection.

ly bound together. One leg of each of the units is bent to form two loops, one located near the top of the fence and the other at the ground line. In erecting the fence the sections are driven into the ground successively, the straight leg of each section being first passed through the loops of the adjacent section.—Popular Mechanics.

MAKE BACK YARD ATTRACTIVE

Cost Need Not Be Great if a Little Care Is Given to Proper Expenditure.

Why not make the back yard just as attractive, or even more attractive, than is the front lawn? It can easily be done and at very small expense. Instead of piles of rubbish, an unsightly ash barrel or two, a more unsightly garbage receiver, unsightly clothesline poles, etc., take a little time and spend a little money and make the back yard lawn or garden a place upon which you will like to pass a portion of every day.

First, by an underground garbage receiver, which is sanitary, does not take up space in the yard, keeps away rodents, and is a permanent investment. The cover operates by a simple foot trip, a blessing for the women-folks.

Keep the ash barrels in the cellar or under the piazza, where they may be screened from sight.

Then, instead of the clothesline poles, bare and dirty, build a pergola around them and cover it with climbing vines which will keep green all summer; this will cost only a few dollars, and will add hundreds of dollars worth to the beauty of the back yard.

Then, if you have two or three shade trees there—and if you have not, you had better have some transplanted at once—build around each one a rustic seat; this you can do yourself at the expense of only a pound or two of nails and a few hours of work cutting the sticks which you will need from some nearby grove.

DECORATOR MUST BE ARTIST

Is Compelled to Have Wide Knowledge to Practice Profession These Days.

Formerly the decorator or painter merely had to deal with colors and paints, and use them to the best advantage. Nowadays a decorator is compelled to have knowledge of the several branches in rugs, furnishings and draperies, their adaptation, selection and utility, and even the plastering branch of building construction advising for rough or smooth plaster relief or stucco work, carpenter or cabinet work, says the Real Estate Magazine. He must make himself familiar with all these things in order to carry out his scheme and produce the effects which he may desire to produce in the respective rooms of the modern house.

The decorating, and, to some extent, the furnishing, has become almost as much a part of his calculation and work as the mere painting. He must make his interiors handsome and inviting. The tenant when negotiating for a first-class house is no longer content with bare, white walls and plain floors. The demand in such cases is for a house that is finished according to the modern idea. Like everything else in building construction, these perplexities are turned over to the architect to solve, but the modern metropolitan owner or manager must take them into his business along with brick, cement and steel.

No Doubt of It.

Singleton—I wonder who originated the old joke about the difficulty of finding a woman's pocket?
Wederly—Don't know; probably some poor chap who married an heiress.

It All Depends.

"Do you believe that kissing is unhealthy?" asked the fair maid.
"Well—I don't know," he replied cautiously. "Is—er—your father at home this evening?"

HAVE ROSY CHEEKS AND FEEL FRESH AS A DAISY—TRY THIS!

Says glass of hot water with phosphate before breakfast washes out poisons.

To see the tinge of healthy bloom in your face, to see your skin get clearer and clearer, to wake up without a headache, backache, coated tongue or a nasty breath, in fact to feel your best, day in and day out, just try inside-bathing every morning for one week.

Before breakfast each day, drink a glass of real hot water with a teaspoonful of Limestone phosphate in it as a harmless means of washing from the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels the previous day's indigestible waste, sour bile and toxins; thus cleansing, sweetening and purifying the entire alimentary canal before putting more food into the stomach. The action of hot water and limestone phosphate on an empty stomach is wonderfully invigorating. It cleans out all the sour fermentations, gases and acidity and gives you a splendid appetite for breakfast.

A quarter pound of limestone phosphate will cost very little at your drugist or general store, but is sufficient to demonstrate that just as soap and hot water cleanses, sweetens and freshens the skin, so hot water and limestone phosphate act on the blood and internal organs. Those who are subject to constipation, bilious attacks, acid stomach, rheumatic twinges, also those whose skin is sallow and complexion pallid, are assured that one week of inside-bathing will have them both looking and feeling better in every way.—Adv.

Heard in a Boarding House.
The Butler—I have age and rank.
The Sugar—I have plenty of sand.
The Coffee—I admit my weakness.

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In Use for Over 30 Years
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Its Mission.
"I have bought a new sleepy-hollow chair for the parlor."
"Pop, is that for her carper's nap?"

TAKE A GLASS OF SALTS WHEN BLADDER BOTHERS

Harmless to Flush Kidneys and Neutralize Irritating Acids—Splendid for the System.

Kidney and Bladder weakness result from uric acid, says a noted authority. The kidneys filter this acid from the blood and pass it on to the bladder, where it often remains to irritate and inflame, causing a burning, scalding sensation, or setting up an irritation at the neck of the bladder, obliging you to seek relief two or three times during the night. The sufferer is in constant dread, the water passes sometimes with a scalding sensation and is very profuse; again, there is difficulty in voiding it.

Bladder weakness, most folks call it, because they can't control urination. While it is extremely annoying and sometimes very painful, this is really one of the most simple ailments to overcome. Get about four ounces of Jad Salts from your pharmacist and take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast, continue this for two or three days. This will neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer is a source of irritation to the bladder and urinary organs which then act normally again.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, harmless, and is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and is used by thousands of folks who are subject to urinary disorders caused by uric acid irritation. Jad Salts is splendid for kidneys and causes no bad effects whatever.

Here you have a pleasant, effervescent lithia-water drink, which quickly relieves bladder trouble.—Adv.

Cat, Eh?
"Bella is very proud of her pedigree!"
"Humph! Were her ancestors Maltese or Angoras?"—Puck.

"CASCARETS" FOR LIVER, BOWELS

For sick headache, bad breath, Sour Stomach and constipation.

Get a 10-cent box now. No odds how bad your liver, stomach or bowels; how much your head aches, how miserable and uncomfortable you are from constipation, indigestion, biliousness and sluggish bowels—you always get the desired results with Cascarets.

Don't let your stomach, liver and bowels make you miserable. Take Cascarets to-night; put an end to the headache, biliousness, dizziness, nervousness, sick, sour, gassy stomach, backache and all other distress; cleanse your inside organs of all the bile, gases and constipated matter which is producing the misery.

A 10-cent box means health, happiness and a clear head for months. No more days of gloom and distress if you will take a Cascaret now and then. All stores sell Cascarets. Don't forget the children—their little insides need a cleansing, too. Adv.

Perfectly Apparent.
"He boasts that he is a self-made man."
"He shouldn't. It's unnecessary. Anybody can see that he's not the work of an expert."

KEEP YOUNG

Many elderly people suffer lame, aching backs, and distressing urinary disorders, when a little help for the kidneys would fix it all up. Don't wait for gravel, or Bright's disease. Use Doan's Kidney Pills. They have helped thousands, young and old, and are recommended by thousands.

A Pennsylvania Case

Mrs. F. Rodgers, 614 Talbot Ave., Braddock, Pa., says: "Pneumonia left my kidneys disordered and my limbs ached twice their normal size. I was laid up in bed for a month. My back was terribly lame and sharp pains darted into my shoulders. After the doctors failed to help me, I used Doan's Kidney Pills and they cured me. Occasional use since, has prevented any return of the trouble."

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DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS
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New Uniform for Cuba's Navy.
The general staff of the Cuban navy has appointed a committee to study designs for a new uniform for the officers and enlisted men of the navy. The present uniform, which is almost exactly like that used by the United States, is said to be too expensive for Cuba. New equipment will also be sought by the committee for the Cuban naval cadets.

Naturally poets are born, but cooks are better paid. There's a reason!

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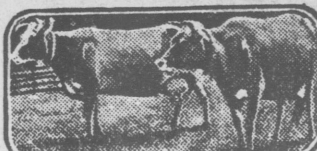
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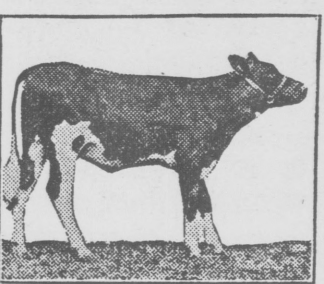
DAIRY



MILKING THREE TIMES DAILY

Custom Among More Advanced Dairy-men of Denmark—Practice Prevents Congestion of Udder.

What are our dairy cows for? Do we keep them as lawn ornaments, or as a source of milk supply? Shall the dairyman drive his cows from door to door, as dairy cows and goats are driven in some countries, milking as much and as often as his patronage demands as long as his supply holds out, or shall he use more improved methods? Shall he milk once a day, as was the practice some hundreds of years ago, and is yet the custom in some places, or shall he milk three times, as is the custom among the more advanced dairymen in Denmark? Shall the cow be given the opportunity to show her capacity by the removal of her milk product as often as seems necessary, or shall we dry her down to suit our convenience in milking?



Holstein-Friesian Heifer.

As our population and the cost of food products increases, milk as one of the most valuable of food products will also increase in price, and in the near future it will be as customary for dairymen to milk cows three times a day during the earlier portion of the lactation period as it is now to milk but twice. Indeed, owing to the wonderful milk-producing qualities of Holstein-Friesian cows, in order to avoid congestion of the udder it is the common practice among those having the better cows to milk three times daily for many weeks after freshening.

VALUE OF CREAM SEPARATOR

Expert of Missouri Agricultural College Says 25 Per Cent More Cream Secured From Milk.

"The farmer who uses a cream separator obtains as much milk from four cows as is obtained from five cows where cream is raised in a pan," says C. H. Eckles of the Missouri College of Agriculture. The separator method gets 25 per cent more cream from the milk and this will pay for a separator in a year in a dairy herd of ten or more cows. As the cream is separated while fresh and sweet, ripening can be controlled and butter of much better grade can be secured than if the cream is raised by gravity. The use of a separator lightens the work for the housewife. The machine is kept in a small room adjoining the barn and only the separator parts are brought from the house. These, instead of numerous pans and crocks, are returned to the kitchen for washing after the fresh skim milk has been fed to the calves and pigs.

A well-made separator will last for years, in spite of the fact that it is put into service twice a day. The separator should run from four to six years without repairs, if reasonable care is used.

COWS REQUIRE MUCH WATER

Practice of Watering Herd But Once Daily Is Not to Be Recommended—Three Times Is Better.

It is a mistake to be satisfied with watering the herd but once a day. If they can be induced to drink twice or three times a day, it should be done. Cows need much water.

It has been found that the average milk cow requires about 81 pounds of water a day while in milk (nearly ten gallons), and about 54 pounds while dry. Of this, the cow in milk takes rather more than two-thirds (say seven gallons) as drink, and the rest in her food, while the dry cow takes rather less than two-thirds as drink, and a little more than one-third in the food.

TO REMOVE WARTS ON TEATS

Rub Affected Parts Daily With Castor Oil or Goose Grease—Cut Off the Large Ones.

Warts on a cow's teats will disappear after a time if the affected parts are rubbed once or twice daily with best castor oil or fresh goose grease. A large wart, having a narrow base, should be snipped off with scissors, and the bleeding stopped by applying powder or solution.

If it starts to grow again, cauterize the part with lunar caustic pencil.

Feed Cows Separately.

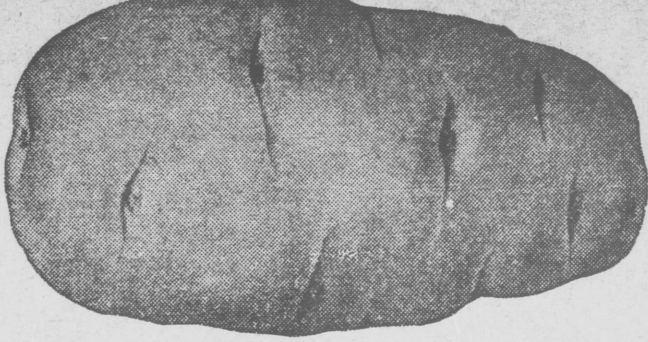
See how your cows stick up their noses at hay that has been picked over by sheep, and then feed both cows and sheep in their own racks.

Succulent Feed in Winter.

Dairy cows need succulent feed in winter, must have it if they are to produce well and not become run down. The silo's the thing.

Never Trust a Bull.
The bull with a good disposition is desirable, but never trust him.

SELECTION AND BREEDING OF POTATOES



Early Rose—A Medium Early, Vigorous Growing Variety, Particularly Adapted to Northern Sandy Loam Soils.

(By J. H. SHEPHERD.)

It is a common belief that potatoes run out or degenerate when grown in any locality for several years. There is no doubt of the truth of this statement under ordinary methods of growing and selecting the seed. Only three reasons can exist for "running out" or degenerating of any crop. (1) Degeneration resulting from prolonged and possibly unnatural propagation by means of tubers. (2) Deterioration caused by change to an unfavorable condition. (3) Loss of vigor due to lack of selection of tubers. The last two factors we know are operative under the usual manner of handling the crop. However, it is not always true and should never be where conditions are favorable. With experimental data on hand and similar data secured from other investigators the following statement may be safely made: That in localities having soil and climatic conditions favorable for the highest development of a crop, there will be no degeneration other than variations, and variations are as apt to be beneficial as harmful. By changing seed once in a great while varieties will be developed in other localities having similar conditions, which will be of value for introduction, but the indiscriminate change of seed merely for the sake of changing is a poor practice.

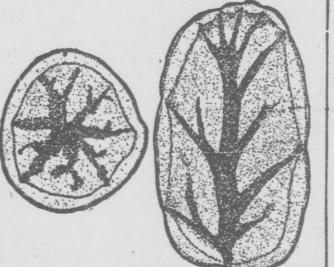
Many potato growers seem to think it necessary to change seed every few years. They do not consider the productivity of the variety they are growing, nor do they endeavor to improve its yielding capacity. It has been the custom to change seed potatoes every few years and the practice has been followed without asking the reason for it.

The potato is practically a new crop and the development of good new varieties has been rather rapid, yet new varieties now seldom surpass the standard ones in yield or quality. New varieties should not be grown until they have been well advertised and a market demand created.

The potato breeder and the experimenter station can better afford to determine the value of new varieties and exploit their superiority. In cases where the crop runs out, it is the result of poor selection, poor soil or the presence of disease and not degeneration.

Another common fallacious belief is that potatoes mix in the hill. The tubers of most varieties vary greatly as to size, color and shape and this has led many to believe that different varieties mix or cross when planted closely together. Selection should be made for uniformity every year to overcome this character. Potatoes of white and blue varieties have been planted together in hills at the North Dakota and other experiment stations and no mixed or blended color appeared.

Hill selection should be followed on all potato farms. The manner of re-



Cross Sections of Potato of Poor Quality, Small Cortical Layer and Large Thick Internal Medullary Layer.

production is different than of most farm crops. This has led to some confusion as to inheritance of characters. The tuber grows at the end of a short underground stem of which it is an enlarged portion. Our commonly cultivated varieties seldom blossom and produce seed, and this method of reproduction is not employed except by potato-breeding specialists. The proper method for the potato grower is to select tubers from the best plants, always starting with the best variety possible to secure.

Selection for disease resistance may and should be practiced. This cannot be done with entire satisfaction unless the soil is badly infested with diseases, a condition which the practical grower should avoid. Blights and rots may be overcome to a certain extent in this manner. Some varieties show greater resistance than others and should be grown when any disease is prevalent. Treatment of the seed and spraying of the vines are more effective if the work is well done. It would be desirable, however, for the potato specialist to develop resistant varieties. There is at present no such thing as potatoes immune to the common diseases. The time of planting should be regulated in accordance with the soil, climate and market conditions. Early planting usually gives the best results. Good judgment alone will determine the time to plant.

LITTLE THINGS THAT COUNT

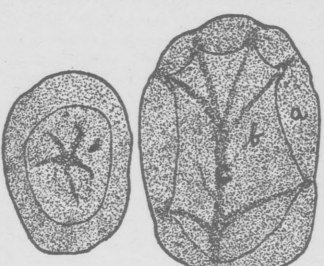
Side Lines Often Are More Profitable Than General Crops—Supply Your Own Family.

The little things that constitute the so-called side lines are often more profitable than the general crops. Every manager should raise poultry for home use and some to sell; keep enough cows to supply the family table with milk and butter and a few sounds of butter for sale every week;

related in accordance with the soil, climate and market conditions. Early planting usually gives the best results. Good judgment alone will determine the time to plant.

The method of planting varies to some extent, but where large areas are to be grown the machine planter is the only practical way. If a good planter is used and care is taken to regulate it good work can be done.

Depth of planting is another practice which should be regulated by several conditions, soil, climate, time of planting, moisture and cultural methods. In dry seasons deep planting is best, when everything is considered, three to four inches will prove to be the best depth to plant. Less than three inches would be considered shallow and more than four inches deep planting. Four-inch planting gave 4 1/2 per cent heavier yield than three-inch planting and eight per cent more than any greater depth of planting, in experiments in planting 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 inches, respectively. Deep planting produced the best quality and the larger per cent of merchantable tubers.



Cross Sections of Potato of Good Quality, Large Cortical and External Medullary Layers and Small Internal Medullary Layer.

Deep planting will be found advisable on weedy land as the harrow may then be used freely without endangering what is meant by quality in potatoes. In some countries a heavy, soggy cooking potato is thought to possess the highest quality. In the United States most people prefer a potato which will become mealy when cooked. The potato should not, however, be so starchy that it will break the skin or fall to pieces before becoming cooked. For slicing and frying a soggy potato is desirable. From these statements it will be seen that quality in potatoes is dependent upon one's taste.

Mealiness is dependent upon the variety and the soil, climate and maturity. A dry sandy soil produces the mealier potatoes. An immature potato seldom cooks well and from our standard is of very poor quality. If the tubers are so green that the skin is easily bruised they will be inferior in keeping quality. Maturity is indicated by a corky surface and the presence of lentils. When the vines are badly injured by insects or diseases, the tubers do not mature and such a crop will have a poor quality.

There are many characters which indicate quality, percentage of dry matter, size, specific gravity, appearance, flavor, sugar, smoothness, color of skin and flesh, depth of eyes and texture. These characters need no further description.

Only one variety of potatoes should be grown in any locality, especially if for market. Where this custom prevails, a reputation is soon established, and buyers are always anxious to visit such places. This is an easy and effective way to advertise the crop.

Practically all potato damage done by diseases and insect enemies may be prevented by a good system of farming and proper treatment of seed and vines. The work should be begun before or as soon as any disease makes its appearance. Prevention is the only remedy, there is no cure for the infected growing plant.

GOOD IMPLEMENTS ARE RECOMMENDED

Time Has Arrived for Farmer to Use Tools and Machines to Save Time and Labor.

Good implements often represent the difference between profit and loss in farming. One man cultivates a field in one day; it takes another man one and one-fourth days to cultivate another the same size. One man breaks a field in three days; it takes another man four days to break one the same size. The difference is in implements. The cost of the implements and their upkeep may not be far from the same.

The time has come for farmers to seek implements and machines that save labor and make money.

producer fruit and vegetables enough for the family and some for market; cure enough meat to last till hogs are killed the next year; sell a few hogs, beef, sheep and cows.

Feed the Birds.

When the deep snow comes the birds appreciate feed placed where they can get it easily. Suet tied to trees or grain placed on boards or on pans off the ground will be visited by many friends that you perhaps did not know were here.

Highway Improvement

\$300,000,000 LOSS IS SEEN

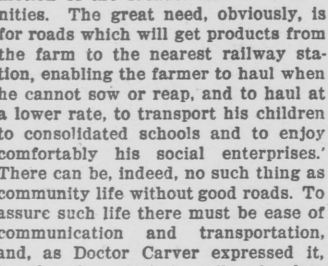
Two Million Miles of Unimproved Highways in United States—Farmers Blamed for Condition.

"There are 6,500,000 farmers in the United States, the most of whom raise something for the market," says the American Highway association.

"They have been described by Dr. T. N. Carver, the Harvard university expert in economics who was engaged last year by the department of agriculture to draw plans for the organization of a rural community, as temperamental, individualistic class, and, therefore, difficult to organize. That they are 'difficult to organize' is evidenced by the fact that there are 2,000,000 miles of unimproved public roads in the United States over which they must haul their products to market at a loss of approximately \$300,000,000 every year, or about the total assessed value of property, real and personal, in South Carolina. That they are 'independent' of good roads to their own great loss is evidenced by the enormous waste of both money and muscle in trying to do business without good roads and their apparent lack of interest in compelling their representatives in legislatures and congress to provide highways for their service."

"Good roads are equally necessary to 'boil' the production and distribution of farm products." They are pre-requisite," says Mr. Houston, secretary of agriculture, in his last annual report, "not only to economical production and distribution, but to the promotion of the broader life of communities. The great need, obviously, is for roads which will get products from the farm to the nearest railway station, enabling the farmer to haul when he cannot sow or reap, and to haul at a lower rate, to transport his children to consolidated schools and to enjoy comfortably his social enterprises. There can be, indeed, no such thing as community life without good roads. To assure such life there must be ease of communication and transportation, and, as Doctor Carver expressed it, 'as the characteristic evils of urban life grow out of congestion, so do the characteristic evils of rural life grow out of isolation. Except for a few rare souls, isolation means stagnation.'"

"As a rule, town schools are better than country schools because the means of transportation, or the streets and roads, are better in the towns than in the country. On the so-called great highway between Washington and Richmond there is a stretch of about fifteen miles on which in the fall and winter farm wagons and automobiles sink to the hubs and traffic is practically impossible, and this highway between the two capitals must be judged by the soft and not the hard



Subgrade Prepared for Concrete Pavement.

spots. In regions where the roads have been improved the farmers are the most prosperous and community life has been developed. In regions where the roads have not been improved the schools, the churches and all other civilizing agencies have run down.



"Within the last few years there have been formed 12,000 or 15,000 associations of one sort and another among the farmers, fruit growers and others looking to the economic handling of their business. But there can be no adequate co-operation among farmers without the first essential of the best farmer: success—good public roads. Improved highways mean improved farming, increased values of farming lands, improved standards of farming products, improved banking means and facilities, improved country schools, churches and homes. Without improved public highways there will continue the fearful economic waste which has operated against the prosperity of the farmers and made them the prey of the combinations which have fattened on their spoil."

Calf Must Have Roughage.
Being a ruminant, the calf will not thrive unless supplied with some roughage, for the stomach needs bulky feeds to develop the capacity and to start the secretion of the digestive juices.

A Roup Preventive.
We have no cure for roup, but here is a recipe for prevention:
Clean quarters, which means freedom from insect pests, clean floor, new earth if the floor is of dirt, regular cleaning, not necessarily daily.

Dirty Milk Means Trouble.
Clean milk cannot be produced with dirty surroundings, and dirty milk means trouble all around and is an abomination.

Cold Pigs Are Unprofitable.
Cold pigs don't grow very fast. It takes the grain they eat to keep them warm.

Evidence Enough.
When a man overrides a hired horse that's all we want to know of him.

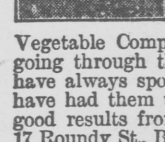
A Woman's Problem

How to Feel Well During Middle Life Told by Three Women Who Learned from Experience.

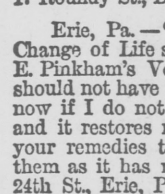
The Change of Life is a most critical period of a woman's existence, and neglect of health at this time invites disease and pain. Women everywhere should remember that there is no other remedy known to medicine that will so successfully carry women through this trying period as Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from native roots and herbs. Read these letters:—



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Beverly, Mass.—"I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, for nervousness and dyspepsia, when I was going through the Change of Life. I found it very helpful and I have always spoken of it to other women who suffer as I did and have had them try it and they also have received good results from it."—Mrs. GEORGE A. DUNBAR, 17 Roundy St., Beverly, Mass.



Erie, Pa.—"I was in poor health when the Change of Life started with me and I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, or I think I should not have got over it as easily as I did. Even now if I do not feel good I take the Compound and it restores me in a short time. I will praise your remedies to every woman for it may help them as it has me."—Mrs. E. KISSLING, 631 East 24th St., Erie, Pa.

No other medicine has been so successful in relieving woman's suffering as has Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Women may receive free and helpful advice by writing the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass. Such letters are received and answered by women only and held in strict confidence.

Affected by "War Business."
The population of Bridgeport, Conn., is estimated to have increased during the present year by about 35,000—growing from 115,000 to 150,000. Twenty thousand persons are said to be employed in Bridgeport by one concern, in three shifts of eight hours each. This phenomenal activity is the result of "war business."

DON'T LOSE ANOTHER HAIR

Treat Your Scalp With Cuticura and Prevent Hair Falling. Trial Free.

For dandruff, itching, burning scalp, the cause of dry, thin and falling hair, Cuticura Soap and Ointment are most effective. Touch spots of dandruff and itching with Cuticura Ointment. Then shampoo with Cuticura Soap and hot water. No treatment more successful. Free sample each by mail with Book. Address postcard, Cuticura, Dept. L, Boston. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

Information.
"Who is the heaviest depositor at your bank?"
"Jobson. He weighs over 300 pounds."

RECIPE FOR GRAY HAIR.

To half pint of water add 1 oz. Bay Rum, a small box of Barbe Compound, and 3/4 oz. of glycerine. Apply to the hair twice a week until it becomes the desired shade. Any drug-gist can put this up or you can mix it at home at very little cost. It will gradually darken streaked, faded gray hair and removes dandruff. It is excellent for falling hair and will make hair soft and glossy. It will not color the scalp, is not sticky or greasy, and does not rub off.—Adv.

Its Class.

"Talking about dogmatism—"
"Don't! That is whine-erwurst yet!"

Use Marine after Exposure in Cold, Cutting Winds and Dust. It Restores, Refreshes and Promotes Eye Health. Good for all Eyes that Need Care. Marine Eye Remedy Co., Chicago. Sends Eye Book on request.

Concrete post bases to give longer life to worn-out fence posts have been patented by a New York inventor.

Ingratitude is as blind as it is base.

AILING WOMEN NEED THIS FAMOUS DOCTOR'S PRESCRIPTION

Thousands of women who are now blessed with robust health cannot understand why thousands of other women continue to worry and suffer from ailments peculiar to women when they can obtain for a trifling sum Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription which will surely and quickly banish all pain, distress and misery and restore the womanly functions to health.

This prescription of Dr. Pierce's extracted from roots and herbs is a temperance remedy.

To get rid of irregularities, or catarrhal condition, to avoid pain at certain times, to overcome irritability and weakness, waste no time, but get Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription in package. Full treatment 50c. All druggists.

WE PAY CASH FOR

MEDICINAL ROOTS, HERBS, LEAVES, BARKS, ETC.

We buy over two hundred different kinds of Medicinal Roots, Herbs, Leaves, Barks, Seeds, Flowers, Etc., for which we pay net cash on arrival. We make a specialty of Ginseng, Golden Seal Root, Seneca Snake Root, Star Root, Stee Grass Root, Bearswallow, Etc. We pay top cash prices.

If you want to line up with a progressive, growing, honest, up-to-date concern who will handle your goods right, who will keep you well posted on market conditions, write us for our price list, shipping tags, and full information.

H. R. LATHROP & CO., Inc.

110-112-114-116 Beekman Street Established 1910 New York City, N. Y.

Claims Greatest Oil Land Control.

E. J. Doheny, president of the Mexican Petroleum company, has announced that the new \$150,000,000 Pan-American Petroleum and Transport company will control the largest oil territory in the world under a single ownership.

MOTHER! LOOK AT CHILD'S TONGUE

If cross, feverish, constipated, give "California Syrup of Figs."

A laxative today saves a sick child tomorrow. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, which have been clogged up with waste, liver gets sluggish; stomach sour.

Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, or your child is listless, cross, feverish, breath bad, restless, doesn't eat heartily, full of cold or has sore throat or any other children's ailment, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," then don't worry, because it is perfectly harmless, and in a few hours all this constipation poison, sour bile and fermenting waste will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. A thorough "inside cleansing" is oftentimes all that is necessary. It should be the first treatment given in any sickness. Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask at the store for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly printed on the bottle. Adv.

The Test.
"How can I be sure you love my daughter for herself alone?"
"Put all her money in my name and see if I don't marry her anyhow?"

For Pleasure Only.
"I suppose you bought your auto to save time."
"No, to kill time."

SMALL MAN WINS HIS SPURS

Tranches Make Him a Better Fighter Than the Larger Soldier, It is Now Said.

A "Bantam Corps" now is organizing in British Columbia. It may not be easy to explain why, but the fact is that energy and pugnacity seem to become intensified as the physical bulk diminishes in all animals, including man. The capacity for enduring physical hardships generally diminishes as the size and weight increase, so that the idea of a "Bantam Corps" is one of the most practical and valuable of the suggestions offered in connection with recruiting.

Among the many cherished but now fossil delusions of militarism that have been for centuries regarded as axiomatic this one of coupling power of endurance with size of frame is the most obstructive of progress. Hundreds of thousands of eager recruits have been rejected because they were a trifle below the prescribed dimensions, or for slight defects of eyesight or teeth.

Trench fighting has revolutionized the prevailing ideas about war in this as in other respects. A small man may endure the strain of trench work better than a large man, may be a better sniper, is a less expensive target for the enemy's bullets and is likely to be less expensive to maintain. In the old style of fighting, which was largely a matter of charging on foot or on horseback, weight might tell in favor of the heavier man, but there is comparatively little of that sort of fighting now.

HEAT WON'T HELP MATURITY

Result of Columbia Professor's Studies Conflicts With Former Views.

Children do not reach maturity in tropical climates more quickly than in temperate climates. This remarkable conclusion, which runs contrary to a widely held belief, has been reached by Prof. Franz Boas, professor of anthropology at Columbia university. Professor Boas, fresh from participation in a scientific survey of Porto Rico, has just made his report to the New York Academy of Sciences, which undertook the investigation.

"The first of our anthropological inquiries had for its object the study of conditions of growth of the body in a tropical environment," Professor Boas says. "It is generally assumed that heat has the effect of accelerating the physiological development so that in warm climates children reach maturity earlier than in temperate zones. Our inquiries do not substantiate this view. The material has not yet been collated, but from the general character of the data I venture to say that they will be of the greatest importance for practical measures relating to the hygiene of childhood and for the management of schools."

Leprosy in Boston.
A case of leprosy was discovered in Boston a few days ago. This makes two cases within five weeks. The latest victim is a sailor, about seventy-two years old. He was born in the United States and has followed the sea for many years, having visited Asiatic ports, where he evidently contracted the disease. It is said that his present illness began about ten years ago, but that he never before applied for treatment in Boston. When he appeared at one of the local hospitals the case was recognized and was reported to the health department. The other case of leprosy, that of a dishwasher, was not diagnosed for seven months, though the man was under treatment much of the time at the same hospital.

Marks on Aeroplanes.
The distinguishing marks of the aeroplanes of the fighting powers are as follows: France, Belgium and Serbia—the device of a blue center ring with white and red rings outside. Great Britain—a dark red ring; the device of a red center with a blue outer ring, similar to the French, is also used. The Russian mark consists of three horizontal bands of white, blue and red. The central powers, Germany and Austria, use a black "Iron Cross" painted on a white ground as a device, while Turkey uses a crescent and star upon a red ground.

Granted Two Days to Marry.
Furloughs from the front are fixed by the generalissimo at six complete days, but the heads of corps may give two days extra to soldiers who have been the object of citation entitling them to wear the cross of war and to those who can produce a certificate from a mayor stating that they are about to get married.—European Edition New York Herald.

Tries to Pin Up Heart.
Frank Gati, thirty-eight years old, of 406 East Fifth street, tried to kill himself in the crystal ward of Bellevue hospital by sticking a safety pin through his heart. He was prevented from carrying out his intention by a nurse, but he grimly told the doctors that he would succeed next time. He is charged with attempted suicide.—New York Evening Sun.

Human Nature.
When a man gets so much money that he has to employ others to count it, he looks around and breaks into a brand-new set of troubles.

Difficult.
Indignant Professor—"Quit this quibbling, sir! Who was King Henry VIII? Answer 'yes' or 'no'."—Pennsylvania Punch Bowl.

Man's Heart Heavier Than Woman's.
The average man's heart weighs from ten to twelve ounces, the average woman's from eight to ten.

Aluminum Pistons Satisfactory.
Aluminum alloy pistons in motor car engines wear excellently with the usual lubrication.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

Absolutely Pure

Made from Cream of Tartar

NO ALUM—NO PHOSPHATE

Adulterated Bread.

Whole-meal bread or brown bread is supposed to contain the whole grain of wheat, kernel, germ and bran. It requires greater mastication and has the advantage of retaining much that is lost to white bread. There is no other article of food which tends itself better to adulteration than bread and nothing which is more adulterated. Potato, alum "bleachers" and other things best not known, all form part of "our daily bread."

Just Estimate.
"The parsnip is despised by everybody," philosophically stated Professor Pate. "It is of no account, either in a decorative or gastronomic way. It neither inebriates nor cheers humanity. And yet nobody dares denounce it as a nuisance and an excrement. It has simply got in its bluff, and remains in good society because nobody has the nerve to bump it out."—Kansas City Star.

Best in Education.
When you ask me what counts most in education I have no hesitation in putting to the front good health. The next desideratum is proper manners and morals; in a word, suitable habits. The next thing in the education of anybody, man or woman, is the ability to engage in useful occupation. This leads me to my fourth point, the appreciation of what is best in life.—Dean Russell.

Lots of Excitement.
A Philadelphia woman who has had trouble in filling her rooming house once had an applicant who objected to the lack of interesting surroundings. "Oh, plenty of excitement," said this wideawake landlady; "from the front window here you will have such a fine view of people missing the suburban trains!"

The Only Way.
The mutts who are getting out a dictionary telling us how to spell under the simplified system have stripped the whole idea of its last shred of popularity so far as we are concerned. Simplified spelling is a delusion and a snare unless every man is to be his own dictionary.—Wichita Beacon.

Righteous Indignation.
"Wud yez luk at that?" exclaimed Mrs. O'Toole in just indignation. "Washin' an' ironin' done. Shure, she ain't wan bit better than Oi am. Oi've got me washin' and ironin' done, too, but yez don't see me hangin' out no signs braggin' about it."

New Test of Death.
A drop of ether injected into the eyeball is recommended by an Italian physician as the most reliable test of death. If life is still present the ether will cause a reddening of the eye, but if death has taken place there will be no change.

Limit of Unbelief.
Husband (remonstrating)—"But, my dear Jane, I haven't said a word." Wife—"Nevertheless, I know what you were thinking, and there's no use saying you weren't, for I wouldn't believe you if you didn't."—Life.

Useless.
The sartorial vermiform appendix is the pocket upon the inside of the vest. It serves no purpose and disappoints the wife who at first believes she has discovered an "inner chamber."

Weights a Fly's Wing.
The weighing machine used in the laboratory of the bureau of standards in Washington is said to be the most accurate in the world. It will weigh the wing of a fly.—Chicago Journal.

Two Simple Remedies.
In case of burns, rub on flour, then apply alcohol until it ceases burning. For earache: Take a little cotton, dip in Jamaica ginger and press into your ear; will relieve you quickly.

Daily Thought.
Don't be content with doing only your duty. Do more than your duty. It's the horse who finishes a neck ahead who wins the race.—Andrew Carnegie.

Much Money Spent for Food.
About one-third of the nation's food bill goes for meat, and the meat and dairy products amount to more than one-half the total expenditure.

Harm in Love Stories.
Love stories are liable to do some harm by setting a pace in elegant and poetic courtship that no ordinary man can keep up with.

Sales to Take Place

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26th, 1916.
Public Sale of stock and farming implements by Herman Watson, at the residence of Levi Watson, on the road from Odessa to Townsend. D. P. Hutchison, Auc.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28th, 1916.
Public sale of stock, farm implements, &c., by J. W. Paris, about three miles south of Chesapeake City, Md., and on road between Cayots Corner and St. Augustine. Frank Blackburn, auc.

MONDAY, MARCH 6th, 1916.
Public sale of stock, by Joseph A. Unruh, at Ginn's Corner, one and one-half miles east of Townsend, Del. D. P. Hutchison, auc.

TUESDAY, MARCH 7th, 1916.
Public sale of horses, cows and mules, by George W. Hurd, on the Vance's Neck road, two miles east of McDonough.

PAID LOCAL ADS.

FOR SALE—Wagons and Dearborns.
J. C. GREEN.

FOR RENT—Good stable, with four stalls. Also small garage.
M. D. WILSON.

Dr. Warren S. P. Combs Dentist.
Successor to the late Dr. J. C. Stites.

J. H. Emerson agent for the Model T Evans Combination Vacuum Sweeper.

For Sale—Three Thoroughbred Toulouse ganders. Call Phone 263-12.
MRS. JOHN D. GILL.

WANTED—Girl for housework. White or colored. MISS REBA FINGER, 906 Shipley St., Wilmington, Del.

FOR RENT—The large store-room on West Main street, recently vacated by J. E. Denny. Apply to
H. D. HOWELL.

For Sale—200 seven foot, four-hole Chestnut Posts. Also wire over gate posts.
JAMES JARRELL, Middletown, Del.

Best wheat makes best flour; best flour makes best bread. Use "White Rose" flour and be convinced. Sold by all leading grocerymen and manufacturers by
SHALLCROSS & KLOTZBEECHER.

MECHANICS WANTED.—Machinists, Boilermakers, Machine hands and Handy men are needed in the Philadelphia, Baltimore & Washington Railroad Locomotive Repair Shops. Good pay and good working conditions. Apply to Master Mechanic's Office, Wilmington, Del.

Public Sale

The undersigned will sell at public sale, at his farm known as the Bishop farm, at Bishop's Corner, 1-4 of a mile from Cheswood,

TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 1916

At 10 o'clock, a. m., the following personal property, to-wit:

12 HEAD OF Horses & Colts

No. 1. RAN, bay horse, 5 years old, sound, and will work anywhere, and a fine driver.

No. 2. NELLIE, bay mare, 12 years old, cannot hook her wrong nice driver, safe for a lady or boy to drive, she is not afraid of anything.

No. 3. JOE, bay horse, 16 years old, fine farm horse, sound and lots of life.

No. 4. Brown mare, 11 years old, fine driver and good work mare, in foal of Jack.

No. 5. DAN, bay horse, 15 years old good farm horse.

No. 6. Black colt, coming 2 years old in May, by Joseph Snow's horse, a fine colt.

No. 7 and 8. Mule colt, 1 year old, and horse colt, 1 year old.

20 HEAD OF Cattle

10 Head of fresh cows, 10 head of 2-year old heifers. This is a fine bunch of young cattle. Holstein stock.

HOGS—3 Brood Sows, with pigs by their side.

Farming Implements, Etc.
Three two-horse farm wagons, dearborn, rubber-tire, low-down milk wagon Corn King manure spreader, been used a little two machines; potato coverer, 2 large disc machines for 2 horses; drag harrow, two-horse plow, one-horse plow No. 19 Oliver New Ground plow, sprayer, 2 sets carriage harness, bridles, collars, corn sheller, and many other things, such as horse blankets, leather head halters, etc.

5-Horse Power Gas Engine, in fine running order, too large for us, are getting a smaller one just to pump water.

Terms of Sale
All sums of \$20 and under, cash will be required; over this amount a credit of 9 months will be given by purchaser giving judgment note with approved security. No goods to be removed until terms are complied with.

There will be no underbidding, and I guarantee everything I put up will be sold to the highest bidder.

E. J. BOGGS.
WILSON C. MOORE, Auc.
JEFF COOPER, Inside Clerk.
F. A. MOORE, Outside Clerk.

Splendid train service, north and southbound, 5 minutes walk from Cheswood to farm.
If 7th is stormy, sale will take place next day.

Ordinance!

BE IT ORDAINED, That all property holders or persons occupying property in this town, shall keep the sidewalks free from all obstructions, and on the falling of any snow, shall have it removed within six hours from the time of its ceasing to fall, except when the snow ceases to fall between the setting and rising of the sun, in that case the snow must be removed by 10 o'clock A. M., on the next morning, under a penalty of one dollar and costs, for each and every offence.

N. B.—When according to the above article, the cleaning of the sidewalks, would fall on Sunday, in that case the property holders or those occupying the property, shall be excused from said cleaning until the following day.

By Order of
THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN.

Jan. 18th, 1916.

P. S.—The Ordinance will be enforced to the limit.

Public Sale

The undersigned going to discontinue farming, will sell at his residence, on the road from McDonough to St. Augustine Pier.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, '16

At 10 o'clock, A. M., the following described personal property:

7 HEAD OF Horses & Colts

No. 1. FRANK, bay horse, 13 years old. This is a good work horse, cannot hook him wrong, a good driver and safe for a lady to drive.

No. 2. LORENCE, black mare, 14 years old. She is second to none, my family mare.

No. 3. BESS, bay mare, 7 years old, thoroughly broken, and a No. 1 mare, come see her.

No. 4. HARRY, bay horse, 14 years old, will work in all harness.

No. 5. LADY, black mare, 10 years old. She is standard bred and has paced her mile better than 2.20, she works kind in all harness.

No. 6. BILLY, black colt, 4 years old, broken in all harness, he is a good one.

No. 7. MAY, roan colt 2 years old, good size and promising.

9 HEAD OF Cattle

Eight head of Milch Cows, some in profit, others close springers. One Holstein Bull, 2 years old.

Farming Implements Etc.

Two farm wagons, 1 dearborn, 2 yolk carriages, nearly new; 1 runabout, 1 McCormick 7-foot binder, in perfect order; 1 McCormick New 4 mower, 1 three-section steel roller, 1 hay rake, 1 John Deere corn planter, none better; 1 side delivery rake, 1 hay loader, in good shape; 1 wheelbarrow seed sower, 16 feet; 1 set Fairbanks scales, 1 dearborn pole, 1 tomato rigging, tomato baskets, 3 sets wagon harness, 2 sets carriage harness, 1 set dearborn harness, 6 set plow gears, 50 grain sacks, 1, 2, 3 and 4 horse trees, forks, shovels, hoes and many other articles not mentioned.

Two Hundred Bushels of Corn. Four Tons good Hay. Fourteen Bags Phosphate.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS.—Washing machine, chairs, 4 tables, 2 bedsteads, bureau, 2 wood stoves, pots, pans and dishes.

Terms of Sale

All sums of \$20 and under the cash will be required; over that amount a credit of nine months will be given by purchaser giving bankable note with approved endorser. Interest added from day of sale. No goods to be removed until terms are complied with.

The farm is sold and I must give possession the 1st of March, and the above goods will be sold for the high dollar, rain or shine.

WM. H. WILSON.

D. P. HUTCHISON, Auc.

Public Sale

The undersigned will sell at Public Sale, at his residence in Vance's Neck, two miles east of McDonough, Del., on

TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 1916

At 10 o'clock A. M., the following Personal Property to-wit:

10 HEAD OF Horses, Colts & Mules

No. 1. Roan mare, 5 years old, in foal, will work or drive.

No. 2. BESSIE, bay mare, 5 years old, No. 1 driver and will work anywhere, sound, fearless of all objects, safe for lady to drive.

No. 3 and 4. PAT and MORGAN, pair 5 year old horses, this is an elegant double team, should not be separated, broke in all harness, single and double, percheron stock.

No. 5 and 6. Pair of mules, 7 years old, DOLLY and TOM, these mules are hard to beat, good walkers and work nicely together, good pullers.

No. 7. Bay filly colt, coming 2 years old.

No. 8. Filly colt, coming 2 years old.

No. 9. PRINCE, black stallion, 5 years old, weighs 1250 lbs. He has left some fine colts, he is broke to work anywhere, single or double, percheron stock.

No. 10. BESSIE, bay mare, 3 years old, been handled very little, sired by Bohemia Boy, very promising.

21 HEAD OF Cattle

Eight head of No. 1 milch cows, holsteins, ranging in age from 4 to 6 years old. I bred and raised these cows; 8 head of good holstein heifers, ranging in age from 2 to 3 years old; 1 holstein bull, 3 years old; 3 holstein bulls, coming 1 year old; 1 steer, 2 years old.

HOGS

Eleven shoats, weigh from 50 to 60 lbs., Jersey Red stock; 1 Jersey Red brood sow.

Farming Implements

One farm wagon, 1 U. S. corn planter, 1 two-horse plow, 1 range harrow, 1 Oliver cultivator, good as new; 1 Iron Age cultivator, 1 spring-tooth harrow, 1 road cart, 1 yolk carriage, lot of old iron.

Terms of Sale

All sums of \$20 and under, the cash will be required; over that amount a credit of 9 months will be given, purchaser giving bankable note with approved endorser. Interest added from day of sale. No goods to be removed until the above conditions are complied with.

GEORGE W. HURD.

EUGENE RAGINE, Auctioneer.
RICHARD L. PRICE, Clerk.

NOTICE.—Being overstocked A. H. Donovan will sell at the same time and place, 1 black mare colt, 3 years old, bred and built for driving purposes; 1 pair mules, coming 2 years old, western bred; 2 Milch Cows, 3 heifers, 2 years old; 1 heifer, 1 year old, 1 holstein bull, 2 years old.

A. H. DONOVAN.

The Transcript \$1.00

Bargains in Overcoats

Extra Values in Fine Velvet Collar, Silk Lined Dress Overcoats; Blacks and Oxford, now at \$18.75, \$22.50 and \$26.25, which is 25 per cent. one quarter off, the regular price and all will be much higher, next season. Other Overcoats at \$4.50 to \$30 in all the good styles.

Suits \$8.50

Suits \$11.25

Suits \$15.00

Every Size for Men and Young Men and you will Save Money in Buying Now.

Shirt Sale

Shoe Sale

Hat Sale

which will interest you and pay you to look over.

Mullin's Home Store

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